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# Message From President Henry



Dr. David Dodds Henry, President  
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The University of Illinois is proud of its pioneer contributions to the education and rehabilitation of the physically handicapped. The program for their education on this campus has become influential in the educational philosophy and methods followed elsewhere, and its significance has attracted international recognition.

Every new University building is erected upon a record of service, academic achievement, and the vision and planning of many people. The completion of a new facility is always noted with satisfaction as evidence of progress beyond the building itself and as a promise of improved service in the days ahead. The opening of the first unit of the Rehabilitation-Education Center is particularly gratifying. Adequate facilities are a factor in attaining excellence, but their importance transcends the average where the physically handicapped are concerned.

The notable record of the Rehabilitation Program has been achieved in spite of limited and inadequate facilities. The spirit of the students has somehow been transmitted to the Program as a whole and results have been produced far beyond expectation. That spirit is now matched by a new physical center which will widen and multiply the results previously attained.

The people of America have generously supported work for the handicapped, and this support is something beyond economic concern and humanitarian impulse, for each one of the handicapped who accomplishes a useful role in society is a continuing inspiration to all those about him. On this campus of the University of Illinois we constantly see the indomitable spirit manifested by the handicapped students and we honor their courage and look with affection upon the example which they set.

David D. Henry  
President  
University of Illinois



# A Letter From The Editor

Editor-in-Chief, Robert Arhelger

Dear Reader,

This year about 200 disabled students are attending the University of Illinois under the facilitation of the Division of Rehabilitation-Education Services. This division, under the directorship of its founder, Prof. T. J. Nugent, seeks to remove the architectural and attitudinal barriers that would otherwise prevent disabled individuals normal college life. It does not seek pampering or unwarranted privileges for these students. The students are given the opportunity to succeed or fail in fair and direct competition with the 25,000 able-bodied students on campus.

SIGMA SIGNS is published annually by the members of the Alpha Chapter of Delta Sigma Omicron, rehabilitation service fraternity, in cooperation with Delta Sigma Omicron, Incorporated. Through it, we hope to tell our activities, abilities, and accomplishments as we strive toward our ultimate goal -- a full, independent, and productive life. This year we hope you will enjoy the spotlighting of the high points in the history of the program which have led to the opening of the new Center as well as the major events of the past year.

Robert Arhelger  
Editor-in-Chief



After seventeen years, a new building

# Seventeen Years Of Progress

By RONALD LARIMORE

This fall, the Division of Rehabilitation-Education Services will move into its new home on the western edge of the campus of the University of Illinois. This building symbolized the program's growth since its inception shortly after World War II.

The idea of disabled veterans attending college was first presented to U of I President George Stoddard in the spring of 1947 by William Kleashers, Deputy Commander of the American Legion. Stoddard acted by asking the Provost, Coleman Griffith, to make a study on the suggestion. It was felt the Galesburg Division of the U of I would be a logical place to try such an experiment. The physical layout of the Division was ideal since it was created by the University from Mayo Army General Hospital and consisted of 115 one story buildings interconnected by enclosed corridors and well ramped. Galesburg campus, also, was an experiment and the faculty was willing to try new ideas.

Kleashers' suggestion resulted in the formation of a seventeen member committee with representatives from Hines Hospital, the Urbana and Galesburg campuses of the U of I and the Veterans' Administration which made recommendations on the establishment and execution of a program for the disabled. The original suggestions called for a "class of 50 to 100 disabled veterans" for the '47 fall term. However, publicity was not to be released without permission of the University to avoid the impression that this Division served disabled veterans exclusively. Provisions were made for the veterans to hire attendants.

Plans went ahead for the program. In the spring of '47 Dean Chauncey Louttit, of the Galesburg Division, selected 24 year old Timothy J. Nugent, a doctoral student in Educational Psychology at the University of Wisconsin, to direct the new program. The expectations of a large enrollment were not to be fulfilled immediately. Although difficult to determine whether fear or reluctance or lack of information, caused the delay of veterans' enrollment, it was obvious in the fact that only one, Harold Scharper, entered as a full-time student in the spring of 1948.

Nugent, whose doctoral dissertation was to be written with data from this program, had well grounded arguments for educating these veterans. Although previous concepts of rehabilitation primarily stressed vocational training and job placement, Nugent felt there were other aspects to be considered. He suggested that this program would offer "opportunities for emotional adjustment and stability -- opportunities for social activities" in addition to educational and physical gains and that, through these, self-expression, the characteristics of self-reliance, independence and confidence would be developed. Ultimately, of course under such a program, a disabled person would develop the personal abilities which would make it easier for him to get a job on his own. Nugent also argued that there were thousands of severely disabled people and



The home of the Division of Rehabilitation-Education Services until now.

that "it is the inherent right of these people as citizens of the state and nation to have the opportunity for education in its full horizontal and vertical structure" and that "it has been proven that it is far more economical to invest in a positive program of rehabilitation-education...than to spend monies for these same people in welfare and charity cases or wards of state institutions." By not spending money to educate the disabled, "a resource of economic importance to the state and nation is left untapped."

So armed with a strong philosophy which was to be the backbone of this unique program, Nugent set forth to face numerous problems. Not the least of these was overcoming the hesitation of the disabled and convincing them that they could attend. Through his persuasion, the number of disabled students at the U of I in the fall of 1948 was thirteen. These students joined Nugent in dispelling the apprehension felt by many able-bodied persons.

Delta Sigma Omicron was founded during the spring semester of 1949 to provide a means of solving these problems through a self-administered organization. Public education was an important goal. Williard Holloway, president of DSO, stated "It is our duty to do our uppermost to educate the general public toward accepting the disabled as successful citizens, capable of doing a good job in both the business and social world." By the spring semester of 1949, the "Corrective Therapy" program, as it was then called, at the Galesburg Division had taken form and was functioning well. Most of the original problems connected with disabled students attending college had been solved and efforts were made to enlarge the scope of the program. Wheelchair sports had started with the first National Wheelchair Basketball Tournament held there that spring. Delta Sigma Omicron was working toward its goals.

But new problems arose. In the spring of 1949, Governor Adlai Stevenson announced that the Galesburg Division would close that summer and its facilities would be transferred to the Public Welfare Department. This announcement came on March 23, 1949, the same day one of the most interesting incidents in the history of the program took place. Because he believed that this closing would also lead to the end of the Rehabilitation Program, Nugent organized a group including thirty students -- many in wheelchairs -- to march on the state capitol in order to try to dissuade the Governor from carrying out the order. When the group reached Springfield, they were escorted to the Governor's Mansion by the police. Their attempts to attract the Governor's attention as he left the Mansion were ignored even though they were sitting on the sidewalk. He ignored them again while they waited for him in a department office close by his own. Failing to achieve anything in both of these instances they talked with Dr. Fred Hoehler, who was director of the Public Welfare Department, and Dr. Andrew C. Ivy, who was the Vice President of the University of Illinois, about their problem. Both were discouraging. Hoehler suggested that the disabled students might be able "to continue schooling in an 'isolated ward' in connection with (the) Mayo Hospital" which was the home of the Galesburg branch. Ivy stated that "the need for the college education of these individuals is the responsibility of the federal government rather than that of the state of Illinois." Thus, the trip seemed to end in complete failure.

However, this initial failure did not discourage the disabled students. Letters containing questionnaires were sent to over 300 state and private universities and colleges in American asking whether they would be accepted and if so, whether on an individual or program basis. The replies were largely negative. Then on May 4, 1949, the Urbana campus of the University of Illinois announced that provisions would be made "for the fourteen wheelchair students" from Galesburg to attend the Urbana campus. Thus, the program was established, in a relatively unstable position, on the main campus of the U of I.

The Champaign-Urbana campus was much different from the ramped, enclosed corridors of Mayo Army General



Sports became an integral part of rehabilitation.

made it necessary to establish a firm administrative footing for its many activities. Hence, seven changes in name took place before the program was granted Divisional status under the College of Physical Education in 1963. Likewise, financing the program underwent marked growth and development. From barely existing monies paid for individual students by the Division of Special Services for War Veterans, the Veterans' Administration and private gifts, the program gained support until it was added, in part, to the University budget after five years on the Urbana campus. This did not assure an unlimited budget, but did make the program more secure.

The number of students continued to grow and so did the number of colleges and curricula in which disabled students were enrolled, now including 50 curricula in 10 colleges and divisions.

Delta Sigma Omicron also expanded its public education efforts. During the summer of 1950, Ronald Smoot and Les Blankenship, both disabled students, visited six fairs in Illinois putting on demonstrations of wheelchair handling, exhibiting various braces and devices, and answering questions.

Through the annual between-semester basketball exhibition tour and other activities of this nature, the efforts of the Illinois program became more widely known. Finally, in 1962, what Smoot and Blankenship did at fairs in one state was done on an international basis with an educational tour through the Republic of South Africa and the Central African Federation of the Rhodesias and Nyasaland. On the latter, there were 18 disabled people, 14 of whom were alumni or students at the University of Illinois. The demonstrations were of wheelchair basketball, squaredancing, archery and track and field events along with lectures on rehabilitation in the United States. The success of this venture can be measured by the several millions of dollars worth of rehabilitation centers that were planned as a result. Less spectacular, but equally important efforts are the publications, sports, tours, banquets, displays and other information materials and events sponsored by the student group. Since its beginning, Delta Sigma Omicron has contributed over \$30,000 to charities aiding the disabled.

Wheelchair athletics also grew to international significance with Illinois disabled athletes competing in England, Rome, Africa and Japan, always reflecting great credit to their University.

International interest in the program has also been shown through the many letters and visitors from around the world. This interest was reflected in 1961 by the awarding of the first Patrik Haglund Lectureship by the Central Committee on Rehabilitation in Sweden to Prof. Nugent at an International Conference in Stockholm in October 1961. This lectureship is to be awarded every five years "to an outstanding expert in rehabilitation."

The program developed from an experiment into the leading Rehabilitation-Education Program in the country, after which other programs are being patterned.

Hospital. Nearly all the buildings needed ramps built before wheelchairs could enter them, and distances between classes were much greater than at Galesburg. The first problem was handled by initially ramping six classroom buildings and two Parade Ground Units and by ultimately ramping nearly every building on campus. In 1953 the University architects agreed to require that all future University buildings would be designed so as to be accessible to wheelchair students. In the first years after the program moved to Urbana, transportation to class was solved by the use of the veterans' private cars. An increasing number of students soon placed too great a burden on available autos; so in 1954 two Flexible buses with hydraulic lifts were secured. These two were replaced in 1957 by two newer GMC's with the original hydraulic lifts. Two additional Marmon-Herrington buses were added in 1959.

The program remained on campus and grew. As in Galesburg, whenever the basic problems were solved, more complex ventures were undertaken.

Continued growth of the program



Donald W. Swift, first graduate.

## **SPOTLIGHT ON THE STUDENTS**

Full and well-rounded collegiate lives are led by the disabled students at the University of Illinois. They are able to enroll in any college and curriculum and they participate in all of the extracurricular activities available.

# Opportunity



At the University of Illinois, under the auspices of the Division of Rehabilitation-Education Services, disabled students have the opportunity to pursue any academic course which suits their personal abilities and interests. These students compete on an equal basis with the 24,000 other students on campus. Norma Francis, junior in Fine & Applied Arts, works on an oil painting.

Dick Lyon, cerebral palsied with quadriplegic manifestations, programs for an electronic computer. Dick maintains a high average in electrical engineering and is specializing in computer work. He is only one of the many persons with disabilities previously considered total who are earning or have earned degrees.



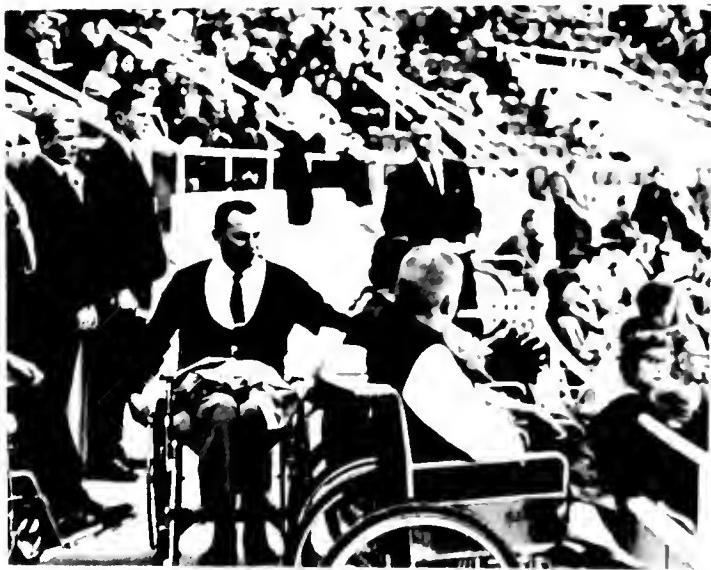


Supporting services of the Division offer opportunities for disabled dents to learn ways in which they may better compete in an able bodied world. Supervisor of Counseling Services, F.D. Maglione, looks over a new braille map, cut on a Photo Lathe, with Paul Scher, Coordinator of Services for the Blind and Deaf. Behind them is a braille relief map of the campus.

Through regular physical therapy classes, which fulfill U of I Physical Education requirements, students receive the opportunity to work on their particular physical weakness in physical fitness and functional training. Butch Milner uses chinning excercises to strengthen arm muscles needed for pushing a chair and walking with crutches or braces.



For those with severe involvement, adaptive devices often offer the solution to independent living. Gilbert L. Fink, OTR, Supervisor of Occupational Therapy and Special Services, works with a girl with Arthrogryposis and limited range of motion in her limbs. This specially designed spoon enabled her to feed herself.



The majority of buildings on campus are accessible to the disabled and make the many social, entertainment and cultural opportunities of a Big 10 campus available to these students in addition to academic pursuits. The New Assembly Hall, offering events ranging from symphonies to sports, is built so that 150 of the best seats in the house are for those in wheelchairs.



Job opportunities in the Champaign-Urbana area give disabled students a chance to earn money and gain work experience. David Dixon, a junior in electrical engineering, learns the control board operation at WLRW-FM radio. This station has employed numerous disabled students.



That all important job becomes the focus of attention as graduation nears. As in the quest for a degree, the disabled student must compete in the open competition for a job. This bulletin board is one maintained by the placement office to notify students of employment interviews.

# Ability



The University of Illinois campus covers many acres and even the most severely disabled soon find their skill at pushing improving rapidly with the constant exercise needed to be independent. Shirley Holman, a freshman in speech correction, is shown heading toward the library.

For most of their travel between dorm and class, the majority of the students use the Division's bus system. Four buses, equipped with special hydraulic lifts, run from the dorms to campus every hour on the half hour and from campus to dorms every hour on the hour.



Driving one's own car is an important skill. Jack Whitman, an alumnus and sales representative for WDWS radio, has a job which depends on his car. Students are offered aid in choosing hand controls and learning to drive.



Mobility consists of many skills. Disabled students at the U of I learn these skills which enable them to be independent and lead more satisfying lives.



At the Upper Left, a student learns to "jump" a curb.



Upper Right shows this skill perfected. A change of level up to 8 inches no longer is a barrier to a person with this skill.

Left. Learning to repair one's own wheelchair or prosthesis is another important skill which makes a person more equipped to go out on his own. There's not always a repair shop or a staff member near in an emergency.

# Independent Living

A backward flip -- while trying to steal second in a softball game -- doesn't bother Mel Wynnns because he knows how to fall and get back into his chair easily.



Don Grazier and date, Jackie Jarman, start off for an evening of fun. For many disabled students, new experiences, such as going by themselves, occur daily when they first arrive on campus. The pleasant motive of a pretty girl aids in learning functional skills.

# Living As An Everybody



By PAULA BRATT

I sat looking at my new room in Allen Hall girls' dormitory, and suddenly I was frightened as I realized what this signified. In a few hours, my parents would be leaving me, and I would be completely on my own. I gazed at the small room and realized that I would have an able-bodied roommate; someone who would expect an equal share of the room and who would treat me as anyone else. Because I was in a wheelchair, I was always treated as someone special at the University of Cincinnati during my freshman year there. I remembered what Bobbi Giesse, another disabled girl in the rehabilitation program at Illinois, had told me: this was my chance for independence; it was a lot of hard work but the rewards overshadowed the work. Now was my chance to test that statement, and I only hoped I was up to living as an "everybody".

Those first few weeks were hectic. I often felt as though I were running around in circles, but usually managed to arrive at my destination. The rooms might have been small in Allen Hall, but that was the only thing about the University of Illinois that was. In a school of 25,000 students there was plenty of opportunity for a newcomer to get lost. Learning the layout of the campus, where the ramps to the buildings were, where the elevators were located, and where my classrooms were proved to be a problem. However, that wasn't so confusing as deciding which was the proper bus to ride. It was very embarrassing to find I was riding the boys' bus.

My classes were large, and I was usually the only student in a wheelchair in them. I was used to this, but I noticed a change in the atmosphere. These people were accustomed to seeing disabled students on campus, so I was nothing new to them.

I had to learn to budget my time wisely. There were increased study demands, not to mention the time spent on the everyday necessities of living. Since I entered the University of Illinois at the beginning of second semester, I did not participate in the orientation and functional training week. I had to experiment to find the best way of using the specially equipped toilets and showers.

Now that I have been at school for two months, I can look back at the beginning of the semester and laugh. Those problems that seemed to be such crises all have worked out with time. The University of Illinois and its rehabilitation program has taught me much about life. At Illinois I found that you are accepted for the type of person you are and the effort you put forth. These are the fairest standards you could ask for when you live as an "everybody".



Charlie Brown, a plywood model of the comic strip character, advertised D.S.O. events.

# Delta Sigma Omicron

By WM. K. JOHNSON

In the fall of 1964, the University of Illinois Rehabilitation-Education Program will climax many years of dreaming and working with the opening of its new Center. This event emphasizes the growth of the program since its inception in 1947 at the Galesburg campus of the U of I.

Growing with the program, as an integral part, Delta Sigma Omicron, the rehabilitation service fraternity composed of disabled students on this campus, has continued to express its goals of service and acceptance. The first members of Delta Sigma Omicron worked to promote the acceptance of the rehabilitation program by the campus of the University of Illinois. The accomplishments of these early students are quite noticeable and it is to them that the program owes its success and growth. As the campus-wide acceptance was obtained, Delta Sigma Omicron broadened its scope to attack architectural barriers and false attitudes toward the disabled everywhere. The international scope is manifested by the fact that fourteen former students toured Africa in 1962 to lecture on rehabilitation and architectural barriers.

Although the program has international aspects, its personal opportunities for the less tangible function of person to person influence are still vital. Each member must never forget that each contact he makes, each conversation he participates in, and each physical action he performs can be influential and can create a favorable or unfavorable image of all disabled persons.

Since each of us has a vital interest in our public image, we much share the responsibility of doing all in our power to project favorable impressions.

D.S.O. skit at the Christmas Party.

## OFFICERS

President	William K. Johnson
Vice President	Bill DeLoach
Secretary	Cheryl Summers
Treasurer	Evelyn Mulrey
Alumni Secretary	Kitty Cone

## PROJECTS INCLUDED:

- Freshman Orientation
- D.S.O. Banquet
- Spokesman - newsletter
- Sigma Signs
- Public Education
- Sponsorship of Gizz Kids Wheelchair Athletic Teams
- Contributions to charity totaling well over \$31,000 in the past 17 years





The onlookers have mixed emotions about Bill Simmon's swing in the Student-Staff baseball game. The Students won.

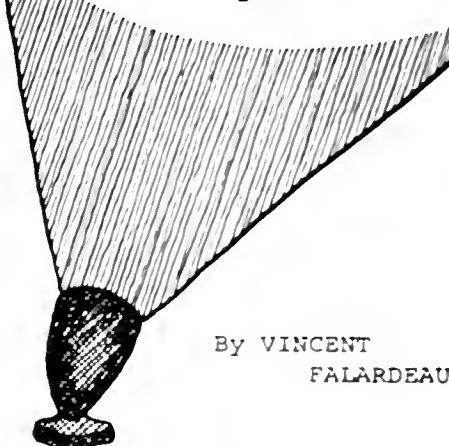


Dave Dixon concentrates on getting off a pass before Dick Zook can make a two-hand touch in a close football game.



Craig Bell, NCAA Sabre Champ, coaches the Illinois wheelchair fencing team, one of the country's few. They will compete in Tokyo at the Paralympics.

# Wheelchair Sports



By VINCENT  
FALARDEAU

Spectators viewing wheelchair sports events for the first time are invariably impressed first and foremost by the ability and skills displayed by the players. Only a few, however, are consciously aware of the many reasons for the existence of wheelchair sports. The participants on the other hand, by virtue of their participation, are themselves a concrete representation of the philosophy which lies behind wheelchair sports.

Basically, wheelchair sports are no different from able-bodied sports. The spirit of team work and competition, physical exercise and enjoyment derived from participation are essentially the same. The purposes, if they differ at all from able-bodied sports, are to enable the athlete to strive for and to achieve a measure of self-discipline, self-satisfaction and a degree of commitment, all, quite often, for the first time, through a common effort with others in enjoyable activity. The athlete's developing skills and abilities rightfully become a source of pride which thus demonstrate to others that his abilities rather than his disability counts.

Wheelchair sports undeniably benefit the individual from the point of view of his physical rehabilitation. Football, for example, demands ball-handling skill, speed, dexterity and maneuverability in the chair. Track and field emphasizes body control, power, rhythm and timing, while square dancing calls for a sense of rhythm and timing applied to music.

Wheelchair sports present unique possibilities for new experiences, social and otherwise, which are regarded as an important part of the student's education. Team work, co-operation, and the contact brought about with opposing players offer situations pregnant for social interaction. For many students, involvement thrusts them into the marvelous adventures of travel, housing in public accommodations, exploration of new areas of the country and even the world -- some have travelled abroad as a result of their participation to as diverse places as England, Rome, Tokyo and Africa -- and brings them before large audiences.

# Public Education

By CHERYL SUMMERS

This past year at the University of Illinois saw renewed emphasis in the public relations area of Delta Sigma Omicron. The group realized that it was not fully achieving one of its primary goals: educating the public to the abilities of the disabled. And so, we, the members, set out to establish more constructive public contact.

Informal speaking groups were formed that would go before clubs and organizations, show slides of the various aspects of the program, give brief talks, and answer any questions the audience might have. Opportunities soon arose for the speakers to meet with the Boy Scouts of America Executives, Illinois Federation of Women's Clubs, and dignitaries working on an Athletic Institute manual. With these groups and others interested in rehabilitation, the group proved the "humaness" of the disabled.

Another new group, this one of an entertaining nature, was "The 576 Spokes" a singing sextet composed of three boys and three girls, accompanied by a guitar. The Delta Sigma Omicron Banquet saw their "world premiere". They also sang, along with a duet act by two blind DSO members and a comedy solo by another member, on a television show and before the National Paraplegia Foundation as well as at several other events.

Renewed emphasis in public relations was reflected in the basketball tour. The students and staff advisers in the tour group decided that the tour should bring in some of the other sports and skills we use in addition to the wheelchair basketball games. This included staging a three-minute fencing bout during one of the quarters, switching from basketball to football to demonstrate a few plays, showing, in a time-out, some of the balancing skills and curb-jumping techniques, in addition to featuring the squaredancers at half time as usual. The scope of the exhibition was broadened, showing the spectators that the disabled can participate in many physical activities. We made use of our extroverted tour members whenever possible by arranging several to talk to high school assemblies about the U of I and its various curricula, the rehabilitation program, and the accomplishments of some of our alumni.

In keeping with our emphasis on public contact, we decided again to stay in private homes instead of hotels. Staying in the homes was a huge success, with the guests adoring their hosts, and vice versa. Without exception, the families were extremely helpful and considerate and their homes modern and accessible. One family with whom we stayed had five children, all of whom were delightfully uninhibited, and we ended up discussing the little eight year old boy's crush on the seven year old blond in his class.

Not all of our public relations were by personal contact. Some were via the "tube". In November, Illini Showcase, an hour program on the U of I channel featured the students and staff of the Rehabilitation Center. We sang, told of our sports and recreational activities and demonstrated our gadgets and gimmicks. In January, we were again TV stars, this time on a panel discussion of the psychological aspects of adjusting to a disability in college. Through this last program, we hope the audience will realize our desires to lead a full social and occupational life.

We hope through these efforts, greater public understanding of those with disabilities was achieved. Plans to further increase this primary activity of DSO and provide greater public orientation are being formulated.

The antics of the Illinois Gizz Kids Wheelchair Athletes entertained the audience while proving the abilities of the athletes. Dave Dixon and Norma Frances clown a bit during a squaredance.



Judy Benoit, a sophomore in Medical Records, is active in wheelchair sports, Delta Gamma social sorority, secretary-treasurer of Lambda Xi Alpha Crescent Girls and was elected to Shi Ai activity honorary. She was sophomore manager of the U of I yearbook, Illino. She also maintains a high grade point.

## Extracurricular Activities



Judy Benoit and Anna Kauffman are two of the many students who lead full campus lives. This year, beside activities in DSO, students have donated their time to house offices, the campus newspaper Daily Illini, the Association of International Students, Student Senate, religious foundations, political organizations and other campus activities. But they have not neglected their grades. Scholastic honoraries, such as Phi Eta Sigma, Phi Beta Kappa, and Phi Kappa Phi have initiated disabled students this year. Activity honoraries, which require high scholastic and high activity achievement, have many disabled student among their members.

Anna Kauffman, a June graduate in English Education, was honored by President Johnson in May for outstanding achievements. Anna, blind since birth, was a James Scholar and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Kappa Phi and other scholastic honoraries. She was active in her church choir, Illini Freshmen Guides, student government and taught volunteers to read and transcribe braille while she attended college.



# Honor Roll

## A AVERAGE

Brunckhorst, Barbara  
Dunn, Marilyn  
Fox, Donald  
Haried, Andrew - 2

Kenward, Ann - 2  
Nolte, Gerald  
Rainsford, Dennis  
Volner, Patricia

## B AVERAGE AND ABOVE

Adell, Patrick - 2  
Alspach, Elizabeth  
Arhelger, Robert - 2  
Blanda, William  
Boston, William - 2  
Bratt, Paula  
Brunckhorst, Barbara  
Burke, Francis  
Cade, Theo  
Carter, Joe - 2  
Chafee, Hope  
Clark, Winfield - 2  
Cone, Curtis  
Corsetti, Carmen - 2  
Davison, Linda  
DeLoach, William - 2  
Duarte, Luis - 2  
Dugan, Ronald  
Dunn, Marilyn  
Durbin, Karen  
Ellis, Linda  
Evans, Margaret  
Falardeau, Vincent  
Fox, Donald  
Ganns, Joseph  
Garratt, Frank - 2  
Genskow, Jack  
Gilbert, Sheila - 2  
Gilby, Barbara  
Glick, Murry  
Grove, Richard - 2  
Hall, Juanita  
Hancock, Thomas - 2  
Heiple, Mary - 2  
Hendricks, John  
Hibbs, Michael - 2  
Hohlbaugh, Dennis - 2  
Hovey, Sharon - 2  
Johnson, William D. - 2  
Johnson, William K. - 2  
Kauffman, Anna - 2  
Kempf, Ann  
Kerkhoff, Larry - 2  
Kortness, Gerald

Krumrey, Donald  
Lavite, Patrick  
Lippert, Carol  
Little, Janet - 2  
Marois, Ann  
McCurley, Joyce  
Meyer, Glendon - 2  
Miller, Marjorie  
Nolte, Gerald  
Orris, Burdette - 2  
Pachciarz, Judith - 2  
Phifer, Charles  
Phillips, Wendell - 2  
Poch, Charlene - 2  
Potter, David - 2  
Quinn, Edward  
Rainsford, Dennis  
Range, Jerry - 2  
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Rieckenberg, Elizabeth  
Robinson, John  
Salemi, Catherine  
Scher, Paul  
Schuepbach, Sheila - 2  
Siegel, Clara - 2  
Sister Mary Richard - 2  
Stenberg, Charles - 2  
Stockey, Phyllis - 2  
Stone, Glen  
Summers, Cheryl - 2  
Timpson, Ronald - 2  
Vansickle, Cheryl - 2  
Veenstra, George  
Waterman, Judith  
White, Beverly  
Whitenack, William  
Whitney, Linda  
Wilkin, Johathan  
Windom, Sulsa  
Yashko, Carolyn  
Zimmerman, Sharon  
Zlotnick, Seymour  
Zook, Richard

Grade point averages for Fall 1963 and Spring 1964. Numerals indicate the number of semesters in which grade points were obtained.

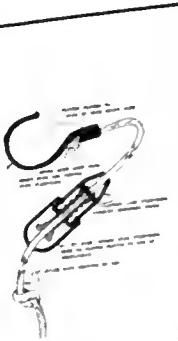
# Articles of Independence

## DOOR OPENER ASSIST

Purpose: To assist person with considerable upper extremity weakness to open doors independently.

Description: A heavy Plastic coated hook, nylon cord and a STANLEY clothes line tightener were combined to make this device which can be attached to a wheelchair. Upon approaching a door (which opens toward person), hook is affixed to knob or handle. One hand is used to turn knob while other tightens rope by pulling through tightening device. Rope passes easily in one direction, but is clutched tight when hand pull is released. Rope and hook thus prevent door from closing and user is free to maneuver his chair or to otherwise continue to open door.

Materials: 1/4" nylon rope and STANLEY works clothes line tightener are commercially available. Hook was constructed from a heavy grade welding rod.



## "S" HOOK REACHER

Purpose: To assist user in pushing or pulling anything from self (eg. doors, drawers, zippers, waste baskets, clothing, hooks, etc.)

Description: An "S" hook is made and brazed to a long shanked wood screw at a point where ends of hook are parallel to shank. Screw can be turned into any type of handle - wooden dowel rod, aluminum tubing or similar. Furthest point on hook can be Plastic coated for more versatile use. Size of hook should be consistent with its intended use.

Materials: Monel metal, stainless steel or steel wire can be used for hook. Wood, monel or aluminum can be used for rod. Nylon loop on end of stick is often helpful.

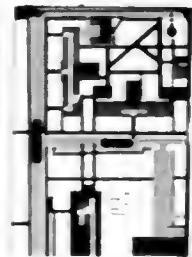
The students and staff at the Division of Rehabilitation-Education Services feel it is better to do things independently--if at all possible because reliance on mechanical contraptions can sometimes prove awkward, embarrassing and keep us from attaining our maximum level of functional ability. Occasionally, however, the need for a piece of adaptive equipment is absolutely necessary. In this case, the gadget should be as simple, safe and mechanically sound as possible. Through the past year, several of these have come to our attention and though improvements and modifications are expected, the ideas represented appeared quite good. We've added them to our file but also wanted to share them with you.

## 3-D MYLAR DIAGRAMS FOR SIGHT HANDICAPPED

Purpose: To produce three dimensional textured material for use by blind relatively quickly, economically and permanently.

Description: Exact diagram of likeness is drawn onto white paper with India ink. Textured patterns can be added with Zip-A-Tone, Graft-Tone or other overlay patterns available from graphic art stores. .25" x .125" is maximum size. Drawing is taken to a Photo printer who has a Photo-Lathe, made by Graphic Electronics, LaSalle, Illinois. Arrangements can be made to send to the manufacturer. Electronic cutter on Photo-Lathe differentiates between white and black and transfers the impulse to a cutting bit which cuts out the pattern in the plastic sheet. Pattern appears in b are .125" inch higher than its clear background.

Materials: Photo-Lathe and cutting and appropriate materials are a must. Great care must also be exercised in selecting materials which can be easily differentiated.



## ROCKING SPOON EATING DEVICE

Purpose: Assists independent eating for Arthrogryposis or others with severe contractures, and/or fusion, and very limited joint range of motion in upper extremities.

Description: Spoon was proportioned to specific individual utilizing the principles of a first class lever. Legs on spoon provided both stability and fulcrum. Ring on end fit small thumblike appendage on hand. Arm and shoulder were raised as spoon was pushed into plate of food. When spoon was loaded, arm was depressed, raising food toward mouth. Head was tilted up from table. Thumb ring provided enough grasp to safely complete maneuver.

Materials: Pattern was developed by using coat hanger wire and Scotch tape. Various designs were tried before a successful combination was found. Final spoon was made from stainless steel rod and spoon end.

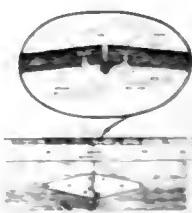


## FOLDING SLIDING BOARD

Purpose: To assist in the transfer of the user from wheel chair to bed, toilet, etc. with a board which can be conveniently stored in a wheel chair.

Description: A 1/4" thick plywood is cut to size and hinged in center with a 1" x 6" strap hinge. A trumpet of some other wide metal and hinge is used to hinge trumpet to wood. Board is then covered with Masonite or Formica and appropriate vinyl coated.

Materials: External Fir plywood, steel strap hinge, Masonite or Formica. Care must be used in fastening Masonite or Formica pinned on that it is waterproof and will not separate.



## **SPOTLIGHT ON 1963 - 64**

Each year the activities calendar for Delta Sigma Omicron is jammed and 1963-1964 was certainly no exception.

August 31, 1963 -- Two DSO members and two alumni with Mr. Nugent explained the program, activities and opportunities of the disabled at the U of I to some 800 wives of Boy Scout Executives who were attending the National Executive Council which is held every four years. Slides and the displays furnished by DSO helped further understanding of the Rehabilitation program.

September 3 - 7 -- Functional Training. Nine students received special instructions from therapy supervisor Chuck Elmer and other staff members to assist them in adjustment to campus life.

September 8 -- Alumni Picnic -- The new students got acquainted with each other, returning students, and staff at an Alumni sponsored picnic at Hessel Park.

September 9 -- Orientation Week. The new students attended meetings, got acquainted with campus, took placement tests and registered.

September 15 -- Springfield Picnic. New and returning students, staff, and alumni were the guests of Hall-Hagler Chapter of DAV at the annual meeting at Lake Springfield.

September 16 -- Classes begin.



September 28 -- Wheelchair Football - Golds 1, Blues 18.

October 1 -- First DSO General Meeting.

October 4 -- DSO Folk Sing Party.

October 5 -- Wheelchair Football - Blues 6, Whites 6.

October 12 -- Wheelchair Football - Whites 14, Blues 14.

October 15 -- CRW -- DSO officers and staff advisers attended the annual picnic of the Community Rehabilitation Workshop. DSO has aided this project with advice and donation of time.

October 19 -- Wheelchair Football - Golds 28, Blues 0.

October 24 -- Talent Judging -- The panel of staff-member judges decided that all the acts presented in the audition for Banquet entertainment were so good that our entertainment groups launched on an unprecedented year of work.

October 26 -- Wheelchair Football - Blues 14, Whites 6.

October 30 -- College of Physical Education Open House -- DSO and the Rehabilitation-Education Center were represented by the largest number of

displays which portrayed various aspects of the program and campus life. Even "Charlie Brown" a five foot high, plywood replica of the cartoon character built and painted by DSO members to advertise events, was present.

November 1 -- University of Illinois Foundation Annual Meeting -- Charlie Brown and his fellow displays again told the story of disabled students on this campus.

November 2 -- Delta Sigma Omicron Annual Awards Banquet -- Highlight of this event was the presentation of the Harold Scharper Awards. Ken Viste, recent grad, now enrolled in Northwestern Medical School and who had an outstanding scholastic and activity record on this campus, received the Achievement Award. Bob Hawkes, 1961 grad who was active in sports and DSO received the Service Award. Parents, alumni and special guests representing the state, University and related agencies enjoyed the meal and the entertainment.

November 7 -- Illini Showcase Filming -- The members of DSO, complete with entertainers, gathered in the Illini Room of the Union to film an hour long television program.

November 20 -- Illini Showcase shown -- As the sextet rugged the camera and Willie Simons flew down a flight of steps in his 'chair, DSO presented its story to the Champaign-Urbana area. Comments from outsiders following the show proved that we were the most critical audience of our own work.

November 26 -- Illinois Federation of Women's Clubs meeting -- Several students presented an explanation of the program and opportunities offered by the Rehabilitation Program.

December 3 -- T.V. Show Planned -- Close on the heels of Illini Showcase, plans began for another television show. This show featured an informal discussion among a group of students about campus life as a person with a disability.

December 12 -- DSO General Meeting. In the first basketball game of the 1963-64 season Illinois beat Champaign-Urbana Black Knights 41-29.

December 1 -- St. Louis 4, Illinois 25.



December 17 -- Christmas Party. For the second year, the staff did their interpretation of the

students. This year, however, the students retaliated. Under the pseudonym of Timothy J. Tenderness, Will Johnson led his unbelievable staff through unbelievable work.

January 8, 1964 -- "Face to Face" Television program filmed. Seven students in an informal setting chatted about dating, studies, extra-curricular activities and what it's like to be disabled.

January 11 -- St. Joe 32, Illinois 27.

January 14 -- Final Week -- Everyone crammed.

January 21 -- Tour Kick-off Party - With popcorn, pop and Papa Nugent's blessings, the group got ready to take off on their three state sports exhibition tour.



January 22 - 31 -- Tour -- Fortified by coffee, doughnuts and weak orange juice, the group left Champaign about 8:30. Of course, the bus broke down in Valparaiso, Ind. but the group visited seven towns in Illinois, Michigan and Indiana. (See more about tour on page 17)

January 29 -- Registration for Second Semester.  
February 1 -- St. Louis 41, Illinois 30.



February 5 -- C-U 29, Illinois 27.

February 7 -- Face to Face shown.

February 8 -- Kansas City 52, Illinois 32.

February 9, 10 & 11 -- Athletic Institute. Executives in several areas related to public

facilities for athletic and recreational purposes met on the campus to incorporate the American Standards Association suggestions into the handbook for the Athletic Institute. DSO aided with entertainment, discussions and demonstrations of wheelchair sports.

February 13 - 14 -- Election of DSO officers -- New slate consisted of Will Johnson, President; Bill DeLoach, Vice president; Cheryl Summers, secretary; Evelyn Mulry, treasurer, and Bitty Cone, Alumni secretary.

February 15 -- St. Joe 51, Illinois 30.

February 16 -- Kansas City 56, Illinois 17.

February 20 -- DSO General Meeting.

February 29 -- St. Louis 39, Illinois 21.

March 7 -- Illinois 35, C-U 24.

March 14 -- St. Joe 39, Illinois 30.

March 15 -- Kansas City 43, Illinois 28.

March 19 -- DSO and WLRW Sponsored Radio Training session.



March 20 -- DSO Pizza Party - featuring films of the International Games in Stoke-Mandeville, England.

March 26 -- University of Illinois Varsity Fencing Banquet - The sextet, Darlene Hawes and Bev White and Don Feldstein provided the entertainment for this event.

April 21 -- DSO General Meeting -- Job placement was discussed by experts.

April 24 -- Students vs. Staff Baseball Game - Though no fault of their own, the staff won.

April 25 -- Midwest National Paraplegic Conference - Again, DSO provided entertainment, displays and discussions of the U of I program for the information of this group.

April 28 -- Illinois Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Workshop -- These counselors and executives were entertained and enlightened by the DSO members.

May 7 -- DSO Driving Workshop -- Non-drivers were offered information on insurance, hand controls and driving instructions.

May 9 -- DSO Annual Spring Picnic - The members gathered at Lake of the Woods Sportsman Club to enjoy baseball, horseshoe and hamburgers.

May 10 -- Fall Orientation Meeting -- DSO execs and members planned how to make life easier for

he incoming students next fall.

ay 17 -- Lions Club Zone Social Meeting -- Four f our blind students and one alum entertained his group. Anna Kaufman, who has received honors rom many including President Lyndon Johnson for er fine work as a student at the University was onored by the Lions.

ay 23-- 24 -- The Illinois Gizz Kids won the ndiana Invitation Wheelchair Games at ndianapolis over 12 other teams. This was the first competition for Illinois rookies, Evelyn ulry, Ella Cox Judy Waterman, Vince Falardeau,

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June 19, 20 & 21 -- The Illinois Gizz Kids, with 0 of the 21 men's team members rookies, made a aliant effort to retain the Arde Bulova Trophy, mblematic of National Wheelchair athletic supre- acy but were edged out by a veteran California eam 105 points to 95. The Gizz Kids placed second, their lowest finishing record in five ears. Illinois won substantially in all sports. Jack Whitman again won archery with Bill Simmons, im Harris and Darwin May taking honors in track and field. In swimming rookie Vince Falardeau and etern Ed Quinn did well. In bowling, Conny son topped his class. Also contributing to the zizz Kids Men's team were: Paul Ahrens, Larry aderson, Joe Carter, Clark Edwards, Terry Kars- aard, Dan Kaufman, Dan Kotter, Mickey LaRusso, ret Orris, Jim Trogolo, George Veenstra, Bill iltenack, Bill Wright, and Sigh Zlotnick.



The women's team also took second place with its' nine-girl team, three of whom were rookies. Jan Little, Carol Giesse, Judy Water- man, Ella Cox, Hope Chafee, Evelyn Mulry, Norma Francis, Judy Benoit, Alberta Richetelle col- lected 105 points to finish 40 points behind a strong and deserving Pennsylvania B.V.R. team. The third place team finished 68 points behind our girls.

Coach Stan Labanowich was assisted by Tom Goodale, Bob Wright and Adrian Smith. With Dr. Pepper fulfilling a teaching assignment, Mrs. Bette Labanowich again was chaperone. F. F. Fergusson and Fred Wiley followed the charter Greyhound with the equipment truck.

Selected to the U.S.A. wheelchair team to go to Tokyo on November 2 were the following Gizz Kids: Vince Falardeau, Carol Giesse, Tim Harris, Jan Little, Evelyn Mulry, Alberta Richetelle, Bill Simmons, Judy Waterman, and Jack Whitman. Chosen as alternates were: Hope Chafee, Ella Cox, Ed Quinn, and George Veenstra. Former Gizz Kids chosen to the team and as alternates were: George Conn, Bob Hawkes, Jean Howe, Sandi Simmons, Ron Stein, Frank Vecera, Vince Caputo, Bruce Karr, and Marv Lapicola.



*Next fall :  
Move into  
new building !!*

## **SPOTLIGHT ON THE STAFF**

Directing, guiding and coordinating the many aspects of the Rehabilitation-Education program is the responsibility of the staff of this Division. Starting with a staff of one in 1947, the program now has about 40 full and part time staff members.



These new faces have joined the staff since 1962-63. Front row, left to right, R.M. Fitz-Gerald, C. Ruppart, S. Johns, J. Rowoldt, S. Labanowich, J. Genskow, M. Melton. Back row, left to right, V. Troehler, R. Seehafer, I. Newman, R. Dann, M. Cox, G. Schaefer, L. Meyer, W. Keating, P. Scher, F. Maglione. Many of them are cited below, however, the graduate assistants are those for the school year 1964-65 and replaced those mentioned in the below article.

As the program has grown in scope and size during the past 17 years, the staff has also grown. The staff, which was composed for many years of Timothy Nugent and a secretary has now become nine sections coordinating with one another to make the most opportunities available for the students.

The administrative section includes Director Nugent and his secretary, Mrs. Rovenia Fitz-Gerald; Assistant to the Director, Joseph F. Konitzki and his secretary, Mrs. Leta Cox and Business Manager, Virgil Troehler. This section coordinates administrative details of the students' college work, such as admission, class schedules, car registration, and any other necessary items of the academic administrative nature. The business manager also arranges for attendance of disabled students at campus functions in accordance with fire and safety regulations. Of course, Professors Nugent and Konitzki carry out much of the Center's public relation work.

The medical services are headed by M. Dale Kinzie, M.D. Dr. Kinzie is at the Center several hours daily to check any medical problems the students might have. He is assisted by specialists William Johnson, M.D. in Plastic Surgery; L. Freeman, M.D. in Neurology; Walter Petersen, M.D. in Orthopedics; and Robert Rowe, M.D. in Urology as consultants.

Physical Therapy is headed by Supervisor Charles Elmer, R.P.T. Prof. Elmer is in charge of functional training and physical therapy designed to help attain, regain or maintain optimum physical fitness. This year three part-time graduate students in Health Education, Bryan Cooke, Richard Griffin, and Robert Howden, assisted him.

Counselling Services are headed by Frank Maglione. Mr. Maglione carries out a continuing testing and vocational guidance program which enables the students to more adequately plan their college careers. Secretary for this services is Mrs. Sharon Wojcehowicz. This year, Mrs. Marilyn Melton served as a graduate assistant in this department.

Services for the Blind and Deaf are coordinated by half-time graduate assistant Paul Scher. Volunteer readers, braille transcribers, and tape recorders are made available to visually handicapped students by an organization called SVED. This group, under the direction of Mrs. Mary Wales, an active volunteer since the beginning of the program for the blind, is composed of students, faculty and community personnel, who have secured training in the many techniques required by these services.

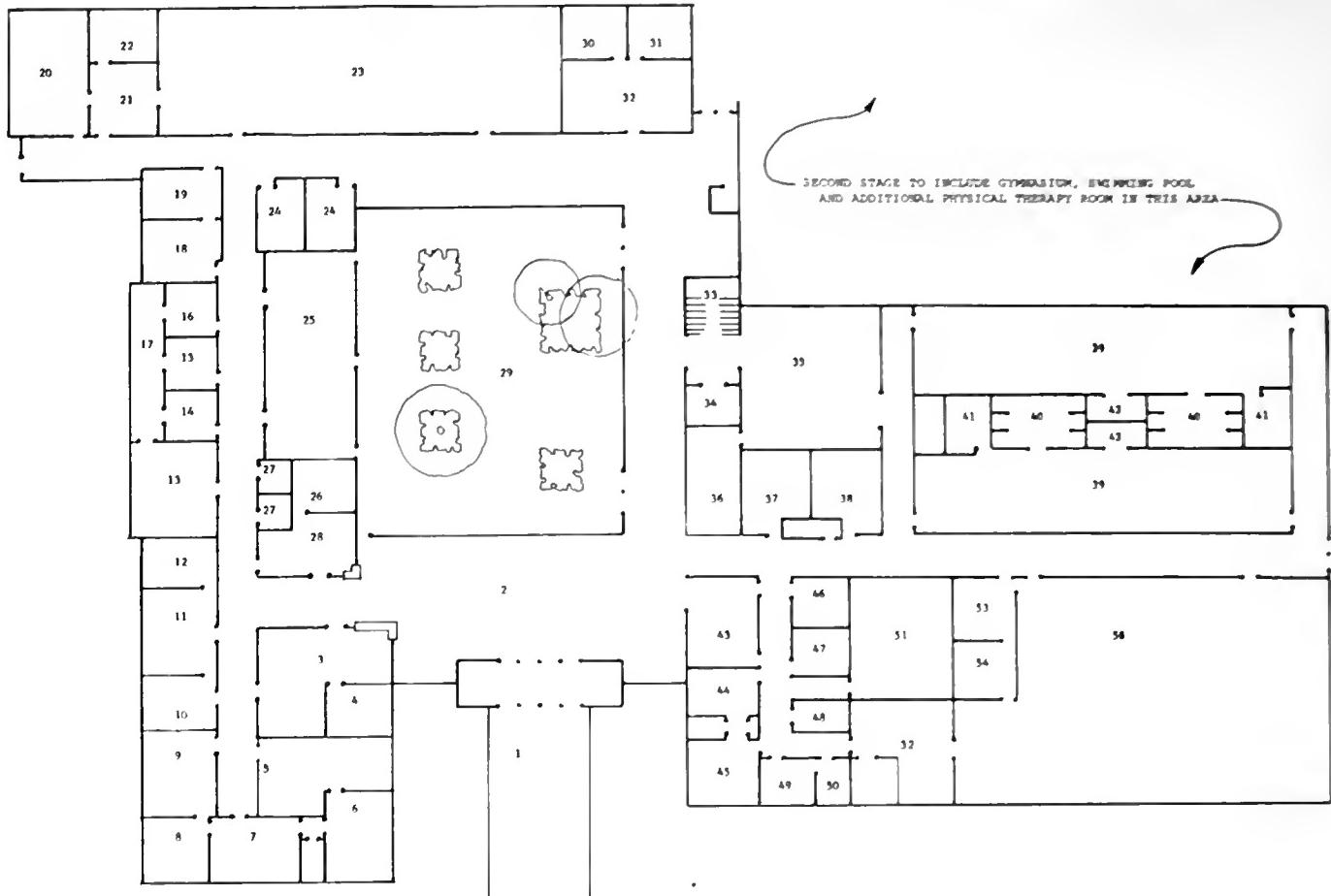
Occupational Therapy and Special Services are supervised by Gilbert L. Fink, OTR, with Miss Jan Little serving as assistant and secretary. This service aids students with various adaptive devices which afford them greater independence. It also advises the student activities and publications of Delta Sigma Omicron. In addition, photo files, public education displays, and other materials for publicity are handled by this department. Graduate assistants Mrs. Marilyn Melton and Miss Alberta Richetelle shared some of their time with this department.

Stanley Labanowich is completing his first year as Supervisor of Recreation and Athletics. This service is in charge of the coaching and advising of the numerous wheelchair sports and recreations, making arrangements for exhibition and conference games and generally assuring the smooth operation of these activities. The half-time secretary for this service is Mrs. Louise Jones. Graduate assistants this past year were Thomas Goodale and Miss Alberta Richetelle. Craig Bell and Sue Lanham worked as field workers from the College of Physical Education Recreation Curriculum, Mrs. Genevieve Painter served as a graduate intern, and Miss Sue McMullen served as a volunteer. Dr. Echo Pepper, chaperone and advisor of women's activities for the past ten years, continued in this position.

The Facilities and Equipment services keep a check on campus ramps, sidewalks, and other physical aspects to ward against hazardous conditions. Under the supervision of Fay Fergusson, the Division's bus service is coordinated and maintained. Athletic equipment is also maintained by this service. Secretary for Equipment and Facilities, Mrs. Janet Rowoldt, also handles mimeographing and mailing for the Center. Don Kiest, Fred Wiley, Buford Conover, and Paul Abeln serve as full-time bus drivers with Boyd Smith working as part-time in the evenings and weekends. Part-time student equipment managers this year were Fred Sabine and Jerry Carr.

## **SPOTLIGHT ON PROGRESS**

Although receiving a degree is the tangible and worthy goal of the disabled student, a full, independent and productive life is the ultimate goal and the true measure of success.



We offer this guide for your personal inspection of the....

## The New Center

A covered entrance (1) leads into the reception-waiting area (2), to be furnished with suitable seating facilities to accomodate visitors. All of the Center will utilize the services of the mimeograph and stenography pool (3) and the Business Manager (4). Administration will mainly be conducted in the area occupied by the Director's Secretary (5), the Director's Office (6), conference room (^). Assistant to the Director's Office (8) and his secretary's office (9).

Counseling Services will be located along one side of the south corridor. The Office of the Supervisor of Counseling Services (10), the secretary's office (11), Coordinator of Counseling (12), office area for assistants and interns (13), and observation booth (17). Counseling rooms (14, 15, 16) are a large improvement over the former counseling facilities. The office of Coordinator of Services for the Blind & Deaf (18) is next to the area for the secretary and volunteers (19).

Occupational Therapy and Special Services occupies a three room suite, Supervisor's office (22), secretary's office (21), project room for Delta Sigma Omicron (20). The Vocational Evaluation and Functional Training Room (23) will provide much needed facilities. The Library (25) will bring together the large amount of information needed by the staff and students training in rehabilitation areas.

The State-Federal Agency Functions occupy two rooms, the Coordinator's office (26) and his secretary's office (28). These inner rooms look out onto the courtyard (29).

The Recreation and Athletics suite includes the Supervisor's office (31), office area for the assistants (30) and secretary's office (32). The well-known "Cage," has been replaced by the Prosthetic and Special Equipment room (35). Office area for the Supervisor (36) and secretary of Equipment and Facilities is close by.

For the convenience of those attending physical therapy and, later, those using the gym and swimming pool in Stage II, Locker Rooms (39), Shower Rooms (40), Toilet Rooms (41) and Towel Rooms (42) have been included. In addition to these facilities, other rest rooms (24, 27, 37, 38) are designed for the convenience of those using the building. Both steps (33) and an elevator (34) lead to the basement.

The medical suite includes office for the Supervisor of Medical Services (45), secretary and nurse's office (43), consultation and examination room (44), consultants' offices (46, 47), supply room (48), consultant's office (49), toilet and scrub (50), laboratory (51) and examination, treatment and treatment booths (52).

Physical Therapy includes the Supervisor's office (54) his secretary's office (53) and therapy exercise room (55).

# Accent On Accessibility

By CHARLENE POCH

ASA Project A-117 -- making buildings accessible to, through and within their doors.



A congregation in a Midwest town allotted \$250,000 for a new church. A large share of the congregation was close to post retirement age. When the pictures of the proposed church were circulated for the members' approval, they showed a seemingly low, modern building built flush with the ground. But when the doors were opened on dedication Sunday, four flights of stairs were exposed -- two flights extending guard to the church proper and two downward to meeting rooms below. The following week, the minister's number of home visitations doubled.

To eliminate such unfortunate architectural barriers and make public buildings more usable to all of the public, American Standards Association Project A-117 was conducted, with much of the research done at the U of I, to formulate a guide for any public spirited contractor. These standards are suggestions for builders but have been adopted to the building codes of several states now, with more states planning to do likewise.

American Standards such as these were developed primarily for the one out of seven persons in this country who has a physical handicap. Each year advanced medical techniques save thousands of the victims of accidents, diseases and congenital birth defects from death. Each year progressive physical and vocational rehabilitation programs prepare these men and women for a useful, productive life. Unfortunately, each year thousands of the disabled are prevented from following a career in government or industry, from enjoying entertainment and cultural events, and from performing other day to day activities because they can neither get into nor use the facilities of public buildings. Although American Standards specifications allow the disabled to gain full use of libraries, court houses, city halls or office buildings, there is no corresponding loss of function, space or facilities for the general public.

A typical public building constructed according to these standards has a large, smoothly paved parking lot. From the parking lot and level with its surface, at least one walk leads directly into an entrance of the building. Anyone using that entrance has access to the elevators that service the building. If, because of ground level drainage problems or aesthetic preference, there must be steps, a ramp with a slope less than 1 foot in every 12 feet is built parallel to these steps. If a ramp is nearly 30 feet long, a level platform halfway up provides a safe spot for resting. The ramp has a non-slip surface. Handrails, 32 inches high, run along both sides of the ramp. At its top, especially if the door swings outward onto the ramp, there's a level platform 3 feet by 6 feet to allow room for wheelchair maneuvering. At its bottom, there is at the minimum, a 6 foot clearance.

Doors are lightweight and operate with a single effort. Beyond the door sill, the floor level remains the same, no sharp inclines or sudden drop-offs. Ideally, even the thresholds are flush with the floor. Nowhere in a single story are there abrupt changes in floor level. No steps lead into toilet rooms or down into meeting rooms.

Within each toilet room, at least one stall is wide enough (3 feet wide by 6 feet deep) to admit a wheelchair. This stall has two handrails running horizontally 32 inches above the surface of the floor to permit the disabled to use them, and all the towel dispensers and racks are no higher than 40 inches. Similarly, all water fountains are less than 36 inches high and have either hand or hand and foot controls.

Because you can't easily get a wheelchair into a telephone booth, wall phones are provided, hung low enough so the dials and handset can be reached from a wheelchair. Again placed within easy reach from both a standing or sitting position are wall outlets, switches, and controls for light, heat, ventilation, window draperies, and fire alarms.

Not only the disabled person but the older person, too, will benefit from American Standards. Long flights of stairs are inconvenient for the young; for the elderly, stairs can be deadly. The exertion of climbing can easily overtax a defective heart. Projections along the tip of a single step can easily trip the aged with their poor sense of balance and slow reflexes. Every year the percentage of aged in our population grows enormously. For example, our total population grew 7.2 percent from 1930-1940, but the number of people over 65 increased more than 35 percent. Still public buildings, even churches, are continually built which over 35 percent of the public find are dangerous if not impossible to use.

American Standards for making buildings accessible also provide special considerations for the blind. Braille room numbers, specially coded handles on doors and no low-hanging pipes or other fixtures are some of the suggestions to make public facilities safer and more usable by the blind.



# Sigma Signs

The University of Illinois Rehabilitation-Education Program is composed of many facets which have contributed to its success. The students, the life blood of this program, have planned and carried out activities which brought them personal experience, aided the growth of this program, and furthered wide spread rehabilitation efforts. One of these activities is Sigma Signs.

The early years of the program were filled with uncertainty, experimentation and ventures to prove the advisability and worthiness of this undertaking. The students, like most persons engaged in significant series of events formed Sigma Signs as a means of recording these events and setting down their story for others. The first edition of Sigma Signs consisted of nine mimeographed sheets including personal sketches, of the students, highlights of the year, financial reports and a history of past occurrences. The publication became annual. As more events took place each year, Sigma Signs grew larger. As the students gained experience, Sigma Signs became a more polished production.

Sigma Signs has taken its place in the integral functioning of the many facets of the program. Circulation has reached 5,000 copies distributed internationally as an overall view of this program. But perhaps the most important function of this magazine produced by and financed through the efforts of the students is the information it gives to young men and women with disabilities. To them, Sigma Signs has given a glimpse of campus life which has, many times, changed their own lives.

## **SPOTLIGHT ON SUCCESS**

Since the inception of the program, the staff and students have been working hard toward achieving adequate facilities to house its services and recognition of the needs for accessible public buildings. This year, the opening of the new Center and the continuing work with the American Standards Project A117, are noticeable strides toward these goals.

# Graduates 1964



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Pa., M.A., History,  
Polio, Paraplegic



PHYLLIS STOCKEY,  
Harvey, Ill., B.A.,  
LAS, English Ed.,  
Polio, Phi Beta Kappa,  
Young Democrats, Poli-  
tical & religious



BEVERLY WHITE, Mt.  
Vernon, Ill., B.S.,  
Elementary Education,  
Partially sighted,  
D.S.O., Musical  
Entertainment

LARRY KERKHOFF,  
Golden, Ill., B.S.,  
FAA, Organ, Blind



CAROLYN METZKA WHITE-  
NACK, Chillicothe,  
Ill., Polio, Ambula-  
tory, D.S.O., Banquet  
Chairman, Cheerleader

JUDY PACHCAIRZ, Dan-  
ville, Ill., B.S.,  
LAS, Microbiology,  
Daily Illini, WSA,  
Torch, Alpha Chron.

ED QUINN, Chicago,  
Ill., M.S., Physio-  
logy, Traumatic  
quad., Wheelchair  
sports

WILLIAM SIMMONS,  
Akron, O., B.S.,  
LAS, Psychology,  
Traumatic paraplegic,  
Wheelchair sports

GLEN STONE, Prince-  
ville, Ill., B. S.,  
Ag., Rheumatoid  
Arthritis

LINDA AYERS WHITNEY,  
Decatur, Ill., B.A.,  
Poli. Sci., Polio,  
Quadriplegic

DENNIS RAINSFORD,  
Chicago, Ill., M.Ed.,  
Guidance & Counseling,  
Blind



## The Chapmans

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Home for me is a two-car garage with attached six-room house. Peek inside the study window before you ring the doorbell and you'll see me writing or doodling or just reading. In the kitchen Kathy is sewing a new dress for daughter Anne; the two boys, Scotty and Peter, are fighting off the Martians in their bedroom (The Plunderkammer) without any thought for amnesty. If you came in through the garage you saw the workshop and the lumber and the things piled high awaiting that golden opportunity, "workshop activities." If you stayed longer than just for coffee I'd maybe show you some of the articles I'm writing for the Journal of the American Medical Association (I'm the Special Projects Editor, a thing as yet undefined). They give me all kinds of data and reports and outlines from the various committees and councils of the AMA, which I serve as liaison for JAMA, and I write and edit and re-write and digest and do layouts and, often, slap through a quantity of material in the Library (defined as research). Sometimes I get an idea on my own and I do a rough draft and submit it to Dr. Talbott, the editor, and he says, "Chuck, keep pedaling" or "Hmmm," and I seek out the nearest waste bin. Other times he says "Publish as a Special Report," and I do just that, as I don't like to argue with a man who can holler louder than I can. Time was when I had charge of a dozen persons, was a sub-main cog in the gear works, and had an ingrown ulcer to compensate for my dysfunctioning bowel and bladder. Since they transferred me to my present job last year, I have become independent, oversee the activities of only one assistant, and have developed interests to the absolute.

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## Ruth Webb

It is over five years since I was accepted as a doctoral candidate in the Rehabilitation Counseling program at the University of Illinois. Perhaps the significance of this event upon my life as a person with athetoid cerebral palsy is illustrated by one simple memory. A big orange and blue bus stopped beside the library. "Fergie" let down the ramp in ten agonizing seconds. My new electric wheelchair rolled slowly but surely over the walk, up the incline and into the hallowed archives of long coveted knowledge. Suddenly a spark ignited. This was ME! I could go places ALONE! From the ED library, I rolled for ten exulting minutes towards Greg Hall and arrived in time for my Statistics class!

This vivid experience symbolizes the expanding dimensions of life during my four and a half years at the University of Illinois and nearly completed year since I left the campus. The mobility, and nearly completed year since I left the campus. The mobility,

facilitated by the rehab buses and ramped buildings at Illinois, has had implications which reach far beyond getting to classes, attending concerts, or going shopping. This mobility and its attendant learnings -- living alone, planning and maintaining one's own schedule as to work, play, rest and inner development -- inevitably produced changes in my self concept. Having once experienced this relatively great "autonomy of action" in the atmosphere of campus acceptance, I could not continue to think of myself as a totally dependent person. My dream of securing a position where I could help others also drew nearer to materialization because I became surer of my ability to make decisions in my own life.

So it fell out that these four and a half years of physical independence and changing self attitudes led to a counseling and living in an unfamiliar city. Gone now were the ramps and special buses. Gone also was the acceptance and understanding. People avoided this person in a wheelchair who spoke strangely. Gradually, I saw that this was a new battle. It was not enough to build confidence in myself as a person and a professional. I would have to convey this confidence to the ever-changing population of a large city hotel.

This, indeed, has been a challenge! My initial frustration at losing my mobility and the matter of fact acceptance of those around me eventually gave way and I began to remember the lessons learned at

Illinois. I found that I had the ability to invent ways to compensate for a lack of physical mobility. Therefore, I have the responsibility and privilege to foster understanding and acceptance of the disabled. As a person with cerebral palsy, I must not only be the best counselor that is in me to be, but I must also be the best person I can be in the hotel where I live. Being human, I don't always live up to this responsibility of promoting understanding of disabled people in everyday life -- I'm trying -- I can report that I now live a happy social life with a growing circle of friends.

As for that long desired vocational goal, I am now a rehabilitation counselor at the Jewish Vocational Service in Milwaukee. So far, my duties have included personal and vocational counseling with mentally retarded, physically handicapped and emotionally disturbed clients, administrating workshops for the mentally retarded and emotionally disturbed, and doing research in training curricula for the mentally retarded.

The day when the orange and blue bus gave me a new taste of freedom was the forerunner of the psychological, social, and professional mobility which is still growing -- five years later.



## The Bellows

"Hectic but happy" is a perfect description of my life at present! Although I have had polio from age 5, I cannot imagine having a fuller or more complete life, even if I had wings! I spend all of my waking hours in a wheelchair as I am paralyzed from the waist down (except for a toe or two) and have some decided weakness in my arms and trunk.

Despite such barriers, my wonderful parents launched me on my solo flight at the U of I in September of 1956, after ascertaining that Mr. Nugent (Father Tim) had an all-seeing eye. Thanks to him and his wonderful staff. I survived my first semester unscathed and had even started dating my future husband-to-be, Glen Bellows, who also had polio and uses a chair part of the time.

After 2½ years of engagement, Glen and I were married in June of 1959. Two days later, Glen graduated from the College of Engineering at the U of I with a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering. Fortunately, he is employed as a registered professional engineer by a consult-

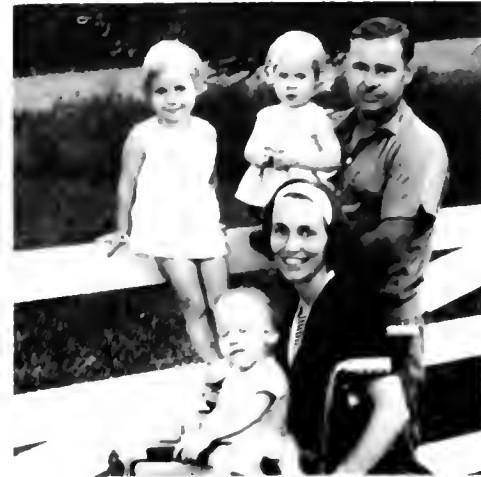
ing engineering firm right here in Champaign so I was able to continue my education. I graduated with a B.S. in Psychology in the spring of 1960 and continued with two semesters of graduate work. I found keeping house and going to school full-time a real challenge but we managed beautifully after I finally learned to cook!!

In September of 1961 we were blessed with the birth of twin girls, Ann and Alice, of whom only our dear Alice survives. Of course, this cut my academic life short (I was only a thesis and 2 units away from an M.A.), but being a good mother was and is enough challenge for me at present.

That same fall we joined the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (more commonly known as the Mormon Church) and since then our lives have really changed. Here is a brief list of my present activities:

1. Housekeeper of a 5-room home; conventional kitchen -- no gadgets except for ramps into the house; do all the work myself.
2. Mother of an active 2½ year old; we've really been fortunate -- our discipline problems have been nil with her; she's real joy.
3. Tuesday nights I teach a class at church for 12 and 13 year old girls -- it's sort of like Girl Scouts and is a delightful experience.
4. Wednesday nights I attend our church women's society and teach a social science course one night a month.
5. One Friday and two Sunday nights a month our church Young Marrieds Group meets for fun and instruction (Glen is President, I am Secretary).
6. On two Saturday nights a month, we have a genealogy meeting in our home (this is a real fascinating hobby for us).
7. On Sundays we have 2 Church meetings and I have choir practice.
8. Besides this I do a great deal of vocal solo work and sing in a women's sextette; I also have one voice student.
9. I'm fortunate to be able to drive our car with the help of hand controls and usually have the car 2 or 3 times a week.

Busy? Yes!!! But I feel challenged and useful in what I do. I know I am contribution to the lives of others and using my talents and knowledge to serve the needs of my family and friends. What more could anyone ask?



## The Surgis

we belong to a dinner-bridge club, we go to mass every Sunday and are quite active in Church organizations. Charles likes to cook and we often have couples in for Saturday night suppers which he helps prepare. We love our home and children so much that we are happiest here at home, but occasionally we get away for a weekend. Last summer we rented a cabin on the lake, with another couple, and spent 3 days in a boat, swimming, fishing, and water skiing. Needless to say I didn't do any skiing, but I certainly did enjoy watching my husband learn!

Charles is Vice-president of Surgi Manufacturing Company, whose main item of manufacture is steel pony carts which they ship to all 50 states. Last fall we took a trip to Chicago, by way of Kansas City and Indianapolis, to attend the Convention of the American Pony Breeders Association. We live on a 15 acre tract and at present have several ponies. The children and I love to have Daddy harness one up on Sunday afternoon and take us driving.

Charles and I always like to have a "project" going, and at present are installing ceramic tile in our bathroom. Last week I made the children matching outfits, and recently finished sculpturing my oldest daughter's head in clay, which I plan to cast in terra-cotta. Charles loves to work in the yard and also make things with his power saw.

In truth, my life is so full that I seldom think anymore of the fact that I can't walk -- I've found that if a person forgets he is in a chair, soon everyone else does too.

We have been blessed with all we could wish for, and more, and we thank God every day for his goodness.

## Mary Bramer



A school teacher unable to walk or hold a piece of chalk or red pencil? Impossible! That's what the superintendent and many of my friends and relatives thought. I disagreed. I had to. I was the person applying to teach, and I was severely crippled.

My story began years earlier when polio entered my life. It claimed my only brother's life and left me helplessly crippled. I had partial use of my right arm, a weak grip in my left hand, and scattered trunk muscles which allowed me to sit in a wheelchair. My parents began a career of helping me. We lived each day as it came. The first step was for me to get a high school education from tutoring. I used a special handsplint that strapped to my good right arm and held a pen so I could write.

I graduated and began advanced work at the local community college using a school-to-home communication unit. I knew I must find a job where mental ability was more important than physical dexterity. Secondary teaching became my goal, and inch by inch I approached it. After graduation from junior college, I began correspondence courses from the University of Illinois. Later I filled residency requirements with my mother along to care for me and returned to my home town to do my practice teaching. At graduation, six years after beginning college work, I applied to teach locally.

Of course, I met with opposition; but after some friendly persuasion, I was given a chance to try. Equipped with my power wheelchair and my writing splint, I began. Classroom teaching in English was only part of my job. I had to assume other responsibilities -- PTA, yearbook sponsor, chaperon at activities, professional committee member, etc. An electric typewriter, a new school with elevator, and helpful students make it possible for me to be quite independent of adult help at school. The hum of my electric motors has become so familiar that students refer to me as "Hot Rod." Never had I dared hope to be ac-

cepted so well and treated as an equal. Teaching has given me four wonderful years, and I plan on many more.

For community service work I chose the Easter Seal Society. I have served on the local Board for many years and am first vice-president this year. Also during the year I do solo work at various local churches. In these areas I find pleasure in being a contributing member of society instead of a parasite.

I would be vain indeed if I took credit for these accomplishments. My parents and their devoted support have been my greatest assets. Of course, I am grateful to the University of Illinois for its fine program for handicapped students; but I also feel that a big university would not have developed such a program without the perseverance of a pioneer like Tim Nugent. It is to him I owe my opportunity for an education. I always think of a line from the song "Look to the Rainbow" when I think of Tim: Follow the fellow who follows a dream. Every level entrance or ramp and every bus is a monument to Tim's dream. I and hundreds of other handicapped people have followed Tim, and he made our dreams realities.

## Charlotte Smith



could, and somehow found time to work in loads of extracurricular reading -- Astronautics, Aerospace Medicine, Aviation Week, Missiles and Rockets, were all read regularly. I would sink into bed with my head full of terms specific impulse, hypoxia, and Coriolis. I received my M.S. in 1961, in physiology.

Those five years of hard work paid off. As the new NASA Manned Spacecraft Center was about to open in Houston, I was offered a position here as a physiologist. I now help to determine astronauts' requirements for living and working in space. Air, water, food, and how to pack them into the smallest possible weight and space, all occupy our attention.

We share our new building temporarily with NASA's astronauts; we see many famous people as they visit our facilities; our work is considered glamorous, and I agree that it is. I received a wonderful gift last Christmas -- a promotion. I have a beautiful apartment with a choice of two swimming pools, a maid to do the housework, a chance to travel (last stop was Miami for a yearly scientific meeting), a good car, and the satisfaction of hard work.

Best of all, we're going to the moon!

P. S. I've been in a wheelchair since age ten, when I had polio.

I once thought I would be an astronomer, for the moon and stars have fascinated me since I entered elementary school. But when Dad asked me if I planned to teach, I said no. Astronomical work, he then reminded me, is usually done in universities by professors who teach the subject in addition to doing research. Since my primary interest in celestial bodies was to visit and explore them, I gave up the idea of being an astronomer, and started to prepare myself for a career in biology, where I could concentrate on research. I kept my interest in astronomy, though, and read considerably on the subject. Then in 1952, the now-defunct Collier's Magazine published a classic series by a large group of scientists on manned space exploration and how to accomplish it. I read it with interest, especially the part that said biologists would be vital to such an effort. But space travel was a joke in 1952, and anyone who talked about it seriously was not considered quite sane. So I simply thought, and didn't talk much.

In 1957, while I was a sophomore at the U of I, Sputnik I was launched. Suddenly it became quite all right to talk about space flight of any kind, and I swung into active preparations for a career in space biology. It was a bit difficult; no such curriculum existed. But thanks to kind professors and the "Individual Topics" courses available. I managed to take seven hours of study in space physiology before I received my B.S. degree in zoology in 1960. I then began my graduate study. As before, I studied every minute I



# Dr. Thomas Linde

1956 seems to be a very distant point in time, looking back from my present perspective. Yet in many ways it marked a turning point in my life. I remember a treacherously hot afternoon in August, backing my wheelchair -- I push backwards with my left foot -- into Tim Nugent's office. I wanted to go on and get a Masters and Doctorate. Professor Nugent was dubious; he was dubious, as only he can be, for four torrid hours.

Could I dress myself? No. Could I bathe alone? No. Could I feed myself? Again, no. And so it went, but finally we made a shaky deal; he would let me start if I learned these things in a week. I learned everything but the feeding.

In retrospect that week takes on a very special kind of meaning. It was a week of work, a week of electric challenge. It was also a week of self discovery, discovery that one severely disabled by cerebral palsy could grow, if growing had to occur.

This is part of the past, a part that seems remote, yet terribly important. It is important because what happened in that week affects me every minute of every day. My responsibilities are no longer academic. They are centered upon my home and my wife. They are centered upon my job and all the people with whom

I must come in contact. As a husband, I enjoy the things which are innate to married life; companionship, a home, someone near and dear with whom to share the spectrum of feeling, striving, hoping, and achieving which makes a marriage experience of unmeasured satisfaction. As a professional, I am responsible for the vocational development of 200 young and adults who are vocationally handicapped because of mental, emotional, or physical disabilities. To my staff I must be a resource upon whom it can depend for ideas, guidance, and many deserved pats on the back.

In each of these roles it sometimes is hard to remember that steamy afternoon with Professor Nugent. If one would become involved in the tasks on an everyday life, he must assume a bundle of responsibilities; he cannot afford to be concerned directly, with that which he cannot do. He must be energized by both the expectations placed upon him and by the desire to use every shread of ability which he can scrape together.

All this means days filled with an unending variety of challenge as one tries to evolve schemes to make the disabled a little less handicapped. It also means there is time and reason to enjoy the happy things of life, like going on hikes (backwards!) with my wife, boosting our symphony, or maybe just loafing around the backyard reading a good book or trying to catch up with the stream of professional journals that never stops flowing in. It means one must decide ultimately whether one is merely a C.P., or whether one is a Complete Person, enjoying that which belongs to all men who hope, and work, and strive, and Love, whether or not a disability is present.

## Alumni Briefs

PERHAPS THE BEST PROOF THAT THIS REHABILITATION-EDUCATION HAS ACCOMPLISHED IN TOTAL REHABILITATION ARE THE FOLLOWING PAGES. THESE PEOPLE ARE THE ALUMNI WHO HAVE PARTICIPATED IN THIS PROGRAM, ALL OF WHOM HAVE EARNED DEGREES RANGING FROM BACHELORS TO DOCTORATES. AS ILLUSTRATED IN ALUMNI BRIEFS, A FULL SPECTRUM OF OCCUPATIONS, ABILITIES AND INTERESTS ARE REPRESENTED BY OUR ALUMNI.

WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THERE ARE OMISSIONS IN ALUMNI BRIEFS. IN SEVERAL INSTANCES, WORD WAS RECEIVED TOO LATE TO BE INCLUDED IN THIS YEAR'S ISSUE. IN OTHER INSTANCES WE HAVE NOT HEARD FROM ALUMNI RECENTLY AND ARE NOT SURE OF THE CURRENT RELIABILITY OF THE INFORMATION RECEIVED PREVIOUSLY. OUR APOLOGIES TO THOSE LEFT OUT AND OUR SINCERE PLEA TO LET US HEAR FROM YOU SO THAT WE MAY KEEP TRACK OF YOU. EACH YEAR, WE RECEIVE REQUESTS FROM ALUMNI IN REGARD TO THE WHEREABOUTS OF OTHERS. MANY TIMES THESE REQUESTS COULD BE OF CONSIDERABLE IMPORTANCE TO YOU. WE APPRECIATE YOUR LETTERS AND INFORMATION ABOUT YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES. PLEASE KEEP IT COMING IN.

LLOYD ACKLAND - West Brooklyn, Ill. - Lloyd is currently self-employed in tanning and tan-line girls, still single.  
CYNTHIA J. ALLEN - 899 S. Morengo, Pasadena, Calif. - Cynthia is currently employed as Disability and Certification Counselor,

Department of Rehabilitation, State of California. She hopes to soon be transferred to Vocational Rehabilitation as an Intake Counselor which would involve moving.

MARGARET JUNE ALLISON - 724½ New York, Holton, Kansas - Margaret continues as high school librarian in Holton High School while teaching one class of sophomore English. She and her husband, Paul, who is the science teacher at Holton High School are active in many church and civic organizations. She enjoys her job as a teacher which is new to her and is looking forward to teaching more classes next year.

ANITA J. ALTER - 5544 Covington Road, Fort Wayne, Ind. - Anita is handling personal business affairs and active in numerous religious and civic organizations.

DR. KENNETH ANDERSON - 18 Avon Road, Binghampton, N. Y. - Ken is an Associate of Mathematics at Harpur College in New York. His wife, Ann, manages the campus store.

RICHARD HENRY ATKINSON - 515 Wisconsin N. E., Apt. 3, Albuquerque, N. M. - Hank is a projects officer at Kirtland Air Force Base. He is still putting his degree in civil engineering to use in his spare time and in the past year has developed a portable hand control for automobiles and is now working on one for light aircraft. His activities also include the Sandia Base Archery Club.

JOHN AUBY - 3100 Elm Dr., La Crosse, Wis. - John and Barbara and their three children, Richard, Sandra and William, are still enjoying their own home in La Crosse, which John has recently improved with the addition of a patio and a carport. John, a draftsman for the Trane Company in La Crosse, is an avid sportsman and spends as much of his time as he can hunting, fishing, and camping.

GLENN AND SYLVIA (nee DEAN) BELLOWS - 1901 Southwood Dr., Champaign, Ill. - See page 15.

MARY FRAN BERGER - 1038 East Algonquin Road, Apt. 125, Arlington Heights, Ill. - Mary Fran is an artist and general office worker at the Mosslyne Corporation in Elk Grove, Illinois.

MARVIN L. BERRON - 4017 Huth Dr., Fort Wayne, Ind. - Marv is still doing fine work with the Concord Counselors, Inc., a public relation & fund-raising agency, which he helped found. The staff recently had an opportunity to view the film which Marv did in connection with disabilities. Marv has also continued to offer valuable support to the Illinois Gizz Kids in Fort Wayne and surrounding territory in Indiana. Marv & Shirley have four children, Rebecca, Christine, Mark and Karl.

JACQUELINE (nee EKSTAM) BIRKEY - 13801 E. Evergreen, Aurora, Colo. - The arrival of Angela to the Birkey family this year made it necessary for Jackie to temporarily give up her job as proof reader for Esquire magazine. Jackie and Richard, who is a Singer Sewing Machine salesman, are active in church groups and sports. The Birkey family now includes two daughters.

LESTER D. BLANKENSHIP - Box 301, RR 3, Springfield, Ill. - Les continues as Chief of Rehabilitation Services for the State of Illinois, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation. He is immediate past president of the Illinois Rehabilitation Association, member of National Committee on Elections and Credentials, and active in many church and civic activities. He and his wife, JoAnne, and their two adopted children, Bernie and Sona DeAnne, are presently enjoying life near Springfield Lake.

DR. JAMES R. BOEN - 1990 Colony, Mountain View, Calif. - Jim is currently completing his post doctoral fellowship in bio-statistics at Stanford University. He and his wife, Dorothy, and their son, Dean, will move to the University of Minnesota in September where Jim will be with the Department of Bio-Statistics.

EVA M. BOUDREAU - 5616 Winthrop Ave., Indianapolis, Ind. - Eva is an executive secretary to a physician in Cancer research at Eli Lilly & Co. She married Leo R. Zwilling in September.

MARY L. BRAMER - See page 36.

SUE BRENNIFF - 649 N. E. 10th Ave., Apt. #3, Fort Lauderdale, Fla. - Sue has moved to the sunny state of Florida where she is a bookkeeper for the Orkin Exterminating Company. She says Florida's weather beats Ohio by a long shot and gives her more opportunity for swimming and archery.

WAYNE "GIG" BROEREN - 2002 Hemlock Dr., Champaign, Ill. - Gig and Cec and their four children have just moved into a new home which they recently completed. He is contract sales representative for Thompson Lumber Co. in Champaign. All six Broerens enjoy sports and outdoor activities.

PAUL BROWN - 109½ E. Washington St., Kirksville, Mo. - Paul continues his private practice as an attorney and is currently serving as City Attorney.

MARTIN A. BURNHAM - 35 Green Manor Dr., East Hartford, Conn. - Raymond Allen Burnham arrived in the summer of 1963 to make the household more interesting. Martin continues as supervisor of mortgage posting and microfilming of records at the East Hartford Federal Savings and Loan Association. He is director and vice-president of the Valley Sports Car Club and editor of the "Lyon's Tale" monthly publication of this club.

VITO CALECA - 316 N. Lincoln Ave., Springfield, Ill. - Vic continues as Deputy Director, Program and Staff Development of Vocational Rehabilitation. He, his wife, Virginia, and their son were involved in an automobile accident this winter which kept Vic and Virginia down for a while, but they're back to their busy life now. Vic is always there with a helping hand for the U of I program.

CHARLES F. CHAPMAN - See page 34.

CLORIA K. CHIN - 826 S. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill. - Cloria is an assistant editor for the Modern Hospital Magazine, a Dodge McGraw-Hill publication. She is active in Theta Sigma Phi national women's journalism professional sorority.

FRANK B. CONCI - RFD #2, Murphysboro, Ill. - Frank serves as Field Engineer for the Illinois Division of Highways. Frank and Margaret and their five children enjoy camping, hiking and participation in civic organizations.

GEORGE A. CONN - 440 Thornmeadow, River Woods, Ill. - George has recently taken the position of public relations with the Morton Salt Co. in Chicago. George and Jane have recently purchased a new home which sounds like a mansion complete with carriage house in backyard. George has been a member of the Chicago Sidewinders Wheelchair basketball team and has competed in wheelchair track and field events and has been chosen for the Toyko Paralympics.

JANET CUTLER - 811 W. Hill, Champaign, Ill. - Janet is teaching in the Armstrong, Illinois, school system.

CHARLES DAHNCKE - RR 3, Danville, Ill. - Chuck is a claims representative with the Social Security administration in Danville and Adrienne is currently teaching at Danville High School. Chuck is active in Black Knights basketball and both he and Adrienne are active in most alumni events in the Champaign-Urbana area.

FRANK B. DEYO - 2525 13th St., Rock Island, Ill. - Frank is now procurement counsel for the Department of Defense army weapons command. He continues to serve as chairman of the Board of Directors of Delta Sigma Omicron, Inc. He and wife, Betty Lou, and their daughter, Diane, enjoy swimming, golf, handball and many other sports.

DONALD L. DONEY - 1706 W. Union, Champaign, Ill. - Donald has taken the position of specifications writer and architect for the Richardson, Severns, Scheeler & Associates architectural firm in Champaign. He received his license in October of 1963. He and Shirley and their two sons, Kevin and Eric, plan to make Champaign-Urbana their permanent home.

JUDITH K. DOWELL - 204 N. Fair, Champaign, Ill. - Judy is a secretary at Smythe Motor Sales.

ROBERT N. DREW - Box 124, RR #3, Milford, Ill. - Bob is working as a draftsman for the Bohn Aluminum and Brass Company in Danville. He and his wife, Karen, were married in August. We see Bob often as he is a member of the Black Knights wheelchair basketball team and his ability as a singer is often called into action at campus events.

MARILYN DUNN - 1107 W. Green, Apt. 326, Urbana, Ill. - Marilyn passed her preliminary examination for her Doctoral degree in the Spring of 1964. She is currently working as an assistant to Dr. C. H. Patterson in the Rehabilitation Counseling curriculum and working on her doctoral dissertation.

JOHN B. EARLY - 2473 Richard Court, Mountain View, Calif. - John is working in the overseas sales department export licensing and traffic of the Howlett Package Co., Palo Alto. He is active in several sports clubs.

DONALD CLARK EDWARDS - 407 E. Newkirk, Tuscola, Ill. - Don is continuing his education in radio and television at Southern Illinois University. He is director of news at radio WSU and an announcer at WINI, Murphysboro.

DARLENE ENDRESS - Apt. 3, 1110 S. Eighth St., Springfield, Ill. - Darlene continues to serve as executive secretary of the United Cerebral Palsy of Sangamon County. She is active in numerous church and civic organizations.

JOHN D. EZOP - 3251 Glenwood, Saginaw, Mich. - John and Rita returned to Saginaw in 1963 from California. John is currently chief control circuit engineer at the Saginaw Steer and Gear Division of General Motors Corporation. They plan to build their own home soon.

CARL F. FAUST, JR. - 7206 Oak Ave., River Forest, Ill. - Carl is a security analyst at the Harris Trust and Savings Bank, Chicago, Illinois, a position which he took after receiving his MBA from Harvard Business School. Carl and Julia became the parents of Karen Julia in July.

WILLIAM E. FIFE - 390 W. Chicago Ave., Palatine, Ill. - Bill is a guidance counselor and a teacher at the Palatine Township High School, District 211.

LOU (nee KUSSART) FLAUGHER - 25 Forest Knolls, Decatur, Ill. - Lou does part-time industrial work in her home for Uniquip Corporation while caring for children, Randy and Cindy. Bob teaches and coaches at Lakeview High School in Decatur. The Flaughers have been busy adding an addition to and remodeling their home. Lou states that this was a summer project that lasted over a year.

ALVIN FLETCHER - R 1, Box 36, Kingston, Ill. - Alvin is currently finishing his degree at Carthage College in Kenosha, Wisconsin. Upon graduation he plans to teach History and then go into a Seminary to prepare for the Lutheran ministry.

IRA M. FRANK - Apt. 301, 809 S. Marshfield Ave., Chicago, Ill. - Ira is a sophomore at the University of Illinois College of Medicine which he began after receiving his BS in chemistry from the Urbana campus. He and Jeanne, a student nurse at the University of Illinois, were recently married.

ROBERT AND VELMA (nee SNYDER) FRERES - 4422 Sunset Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif. - Bob, a senior accountant at the Field Container Corporation, North Hollywood, California, and Velma is radiology typist. They are active in political and musical organizations.

BARBARA (nee CASH) FROCK - 3044 Boxdale, Memphis, Tenn. - Barbara continues to do some private music teaching while taking care of their son Gary Allen. George is now assistant band director at Memphis State University.

JOSEPH L. GANNS - 1911 Harding Dr., Urbana, Ill. - Joe continues in private practice as a counselor. We see Joe and Joan and their three children often.

ROBERT GLEASON - 1517 W. Monroe Street, Springfield, Ill. - Robert is legal technical advisor for the Illinois Department of Public Health. He and Kathryn have two children, John and Ann.

MARJORIE ANN (nee NELSON) GLOSSOP - 26626 Rouge River Dr., Dearborn Heights, Mich. - Marjorie is teaching piano in her home and does substitute teaching in the public schools. Donald is an engineer for the Ford Motor Co. The Glossops are expecting their second child in September, 1964. Marjorie spent some time this year recovering from injuries incurred in an automobile accident. All seems well now.

ADRIENNE (nee CUSON) GORMAN - 39 Clawson St., Staten Island 6, N. Y. - Adrienne finds caring for Christine Anne and newly arrived Adrienne Laurel a full-time job now. The Gormans are all doing well.

JOHN W. CORRELL - 2810 Palmer Ave., Granite City, Ill. - John is an emergency service representative for the Illinois Power Company. John and his wife, Phylis, have one son born in 1963.

ANN GRAVER - 402 S. Green Ave., Stevens Point, Wis. - Ann is continuing her education at Stevens Point State College in Wisconsin. In addition to her academic work, she has a part-time job and is working towards the completion of the 50 mile Red Cross swim.

OTIS R. AND PATRICIA (nee HAMBRIGHT) GRIFFIN - 3200A North Ave., Richmond, Va. - Pat continues in her job as a determiner of disabilities for the State Department of Education. Otis is completing his education in engineering.

DR. C. BENJAMIN GRAHAM - 3605 N. E. 41st St., Seattle 5, Wash. - Ben, Pearl and daughter, Leslie, were present at the New York National Wheelchair games. The Grahams have just returned from Sweden where Ben has been doing further study in medicine.

DORIS (nee SUTTON) GROTH - 1784 E. Duane, Kankakee, Ill. - Doris and Melvin, their two children, Barbara and James, and Doris' parents traveled to southern California this year. Both children will be in school this fall. Ben is an M.D. in radiology.

DOLORES C. GUTIERREZ - 3716 N. Lockwood Ave., Chicago 41, Ill. - Dolores is a Spanish-speaking caseworker for Cook County Department of Public Aid. She enjoyed a vacation in Mexico City this summer.

WILLIAM HALEY - 23 Coakley Road, Portsmouth, N. H. - "Bill" is stock control clerk at the Portsmouth Naval Ship Yard. Bill married Carol Ann Nichols in July of 1963. The Haleys are expecting their first child sometime late this summer.

BETTE JANE (nee HENLEIN) HANLEY - 711 Dover Place, Champaign, Ill. - Bette Jane and Paul are the proud parents of Robb Ann. The Hanleys have just moved to Champaign so Bette Jane can work on her Masters degree. Paul was a merchandising counselor for a department store in Cincinnati before their return to Champaign.

ROBERT C. HAWKES - 35 Parkway North, Brewer, Maine - Bob continues as director of the speech and hearing center at Bangor, Maine, with offices at 359 Hammond St., Bangor. Bob was elected to the Paralympic team to go to Tokyo. Becky and the two boys enjoy being back in Maine.

RICHARD R. HAYDEN - 456 Douglas St., Pasadena, Calif. - Richard continues as a research engineer at the California Institute of Technology.

MARCI A HEDIGER - 1107 W. Green, Apt. 123, Urbana, Ill. - Marcia is again a scholar and is currently working towards her master's degree in Vocational Rehabilitation Counseling.

DONALD HEITLER - 1906 Hemlock, Champaign, Ill. - Donald is teaching piano and organ for Mendel-Riley Music Co. In addition, the Don Heitler Trio is seen frequently around central Illinois.

KAY (nee JACKSON) HOFFMAN - 7500 N. Elmhurst Road, Lot #156, Harding Street, Bensenville, Ill. - Kay and Bob live in a mobile home which they find easy and fun to care for -- especially with their remote control lawn mower to keep the lot neat. Kay is bookkeeper for Wooley and Miller, Carpenter Contractors and Bob is cost accounting clerk at Chicago Railside.

WILLIAM D. HOLLOWAY - 1604 E. Hendrix Lane, RR #4, Peoria, Ill. - Bill continues as personnel manager of the Semis Brothers Bag Company in Peoria. Both he and his wife are active in the Chamber of Commerce and other civic organizations. Bill reports that Joan is more active than their daughter, Ann, in the Brownies.

JANECE (nee BURKE) HOLMES - 816 Breen, Champaign, Ill. - Jan and Alan and their new daughter, Mornette Janece, recently bought a new home. Alan teaches at University High School.

ERNEST HOOD - 1045 Harriet Ave., St. Paul, Minn. - Ernest continues as an engineer at Control Data Corporation. He and Ann have five children.

MARILYN KAY HOWARD - 809 W. Illinois, Urbana, Ill. - Marilyn is a medical secretary at Mercy Hospital in Urbana.

BRICE HUDDLESTON - 2249 S. 10th St., Springfield, Ill. - Brice continues as a vocational counselor for the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation specializing in services for the blind. He and his wife, Helen, have a son, Brice Richard, age 5.

RAYMOND HUNT - 5511 W. Belmont Ave., Glendale, Arizona - Ray and Harriett are the proud parents of Scott Leonard, born in February. Ray is a mechanical engineer.

ROBERT HUTCHINS - 215 N. Water St., Plymouth, Ind. - Bob was promoted this year from sports editor to news editor for the Plymouth Pilot-News. He is active as secretary of the JC's and chairman of the county polio foundation chapter. Bob was instrumental in bringing the Illinois Gizz Kids Wheelchair Basketball team to Plymouth, Ind., this year.

ROBERT JACOBS - Colfax, Ill. - Bob is the full partner in a wholesale antique firm dealing exclusively with glass and doing nationwide business. Bob has recently acquired a house which he is refurbishing in its original state and foresees trips to Europe to buy antiques in the future.

PAUL ALLEN JENSEN - 5007 Corley Road, Apt. B-3, Baltimore, Md. - Paul continues as an engineer at the Westinghouse Electric Corporation--Surface Division. He expects to begin full-time studies at Johns Hopkins University in September for a doctorate in operations research. Paul married Margaret Ellen Eastlack this year and both of them are active in church and civic organizations as well as sailing on the Chesapeake Bay.

TOM AND LOUISE (nee FORTMAN) JONES - 1505 Westfield Dr., Champaign, Ill. - Tom received a promotion this year and is now Supervisor of Audio Recording, Director and Announcer, for WCIA-TV in Champaign. Louise is secretary to the Recreation and Athletics section of the Rehabilitation Center.

ROBERT T. KALOUPEK - 919 East St., Grinnell, Iowa - Bob is currently secretary of the Board of Directors of Grinnell-Newburg Community School District. Bob's wife, Marjorie, works as a secretary.

LEON AND JERENE (nee CHRISTENSEN) KELLER - 8055 Owl Road, Largo, Fla. - Leon and Jerry recently moved from California to Florida where Leon became a development engineer for the Minneapolis Honeywell Control Corporation. Jerry and Leon are the parents of Verna Rene born May 12, 1964. Jerry reports they are busy comparing life in the two different states.

MARY L. KLATTENHOFF - 601 Ambassador St., Charlotte, N. C. - Mary is currently teaching in an elementary educable mentally handicapped room in Charlotte. She finds her job both fascinating and rewarding. She works with students ranging from 10 to 13 years.

LYNDA L. KOOPMAN - 1608 Campbell, Apt. A, Joliet, Ill. - Lynda continues her work as a mathematical statistician with the United States Army Ammunition Procurement and Supply Agency.

JANICE KRESSIN - Route 2, Cedarburg, Wis. - Janice is a bookkeeper for the Grob Inc. and also recording secretary for the Milwaukee chapter of the National Paraplegic Foundation.

MARVIN LAPICOLA - Marvin continues as accounting supervisor for ITT-Kellogg in Oak Park. Marv is an active member of the Chicagoland Sidewinders Wheelchair Basketball and track and field team. He and his wife, Phyllis, now have a boy and girl.

DR. THOMAS F. LINDE - 4392 N. Wilson Dr., Milwaukee 11, Wis. - Tom is Associate Director, Services for the Physically Disabled, Jewish Vocational Service, Inc. in Milwaukee. See page 38.

JOSEPH LO PRESTI - 2947 N. Keating Ave., Chicago 41, Ill. - Joe is a bookkeeper and cashier for the RCA Service Company, a Division of Radio Corporation of America.

DR. JOHN MAKRIS - Green Mountain Animal Clinic, 280 S. Union, Denver, Colo. - John has his own veterinary clinic which he established this year in Denver. He and his wife, Joanne, and their three daughters report that they spend most of their leisure hours golfing, shooting archery and riding.

JANET MARSHALL - 1954 S.E. 23rd Ave., Portland, Oregon - Janet reports that her main plan is to become Mrs. Edward A. Krause, August 29, 1964. She is currently employed as a sheltered workshop coordinator for the Portland Children's Center, school for retarded children. She is also active in church and youth groups.

PAUL MASSEY - 514 N. Main, Paris, Ill. - Paul is working on correspondence courses from the U of I in accounting while recovering from surgery. He is also serving as chairman of the housing committee of the International Fellowship, a group which brings foreign students to Paris, Illinois.

KENNETH AND NORMA JEAN (nee McCCLURE) MATTHIAS - 306 N. Park St., Crown Point, Ind. - Ken continues to work for the Hugh J. McLaughlin and Son Golf Ball Factory and Norma spends her time as housewife and mother taking care of their three children.

ANDERSON McCULLOUGH - 324 E. Davenport, Iowa City, Iowa - "Mac" teaches freshman rhetoric at the University of Iowa and plans to receive his M.F.A. in February as a result of his work in the Writer's Institute there. His first play is now in the hands of a Broadway agent and he is starting a novel.

BRUCE (nee ALDENDIFER) McDANIEL - 614 W. John, Champaign, Ill. - Bruce continues to work as an editorial assistant at the University of Illinois press while awaiting the birth of the McDaniel's second child. Robert works as a research assistant while obtaining his Ph.D.

BONNIE McMANUS - 431 Fairlawn Dr., Urbana, Ill. - Bonnie continues as an instructor of Physiology at the Mercy Hospital School of Nursing in Champaign.

WALTER L. MCLELLIOTT - 4228 W. 109th St., Oaklawn, Ill. - Walter works in the department which takes care of verification of credit with the Credit Bureau of Cook County Illinois.

MARGARET ANN (nee CARTER) McMULLEN - 6019 S. Damen Ave., Chicago, Ill. - Margaret is currently Counseling Home Teaching Trainee for the State of Illinois working with the blind. Bob continues to work as an attorney at law.

JANE (nee KING) MELIN - 2418 Sangamon Dr., Champaign, Ill. - Jane is now a full-time housewife taking care of their two children. John is an assistant professor with the civil engineering department at the University of Illinois.

DAVID C. AND RUTH (nee KELLER) MIEHER - 5236 Suffolk Circle, Jackson, Miss. - David and Ruth both continue to work at station WLET-TV in Jackson. Dave works as news editor and Ruth, as a bookkeeper. The Miehers visited Champaign this spring and we found that David lost his southern accent but Ruth had picked it up from him.

GLEN AND BARBARA (nee HANLEY) NEYER - 1600 N. Market, Champaign, Ill. - Glen is finishing his law degree. Barbara is a cytologist at Burnham City Hospital in Champaign.

BETTE MOLES - 3601 Jackson St., Gary, Ind. - Bette recently graduated from St. Joseph's College, Calumet campus in East Chicago with a BS in Sociology. She plans to continue in graduate work.

ROBERT MIRANDA - Springlake, Mahomet, Ill. - Bob continues as dispatcher for Illini Reefer Co.

DANIEL A. NELLIS - Box 7, Watson Hall, University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon - Dan is pursuing an advanced degree at the University of Oregon. He reports that the only problem in his life is the same that has plagued the program -- lack of money.

MARLENE NERUDA - 808 W. Springfield, Champaign, Ill. - Marlene is doing home teaching and in training with the Visually Handicapped Services of Illinois.

KATHERINE NIEMEYER - RD 3, Denny Road, Valencia, Pa. - Kathy has left Saginaw, Michigan, to become a dietitian in the VA Hospital at Butler, Pennsylvania.

DEAN AND LOLA (nee LANCE) NOSKER - 1305 Cambridge St., Champaign, Ill. - Dean received the Pioneer Award from the American Association of Agricultural College Editors as one of the five outstanding young editors in the U.S. He and Lola traveled to New Mexico to receive the award. The Noskers and their two daughters, Kim and Robin, are an addition to the alumni functions around the Champaign-Urbana area.

ALFRED G. OELSCHLEGEL - 2209 Fletcher St., Urbana, Ill. - Al continues as treasurer of Delta Sigma Omicron, Inc. and has recently become an accountant for the Champaign-Urbana Spudnut Company. He and Harriet and Alana have recently moved into a new house in Urbana.

MARCUS W. ORR - Apartment 1107, 1437 Central Ave., Memphis, Tenn. - Marc is back at Memphis State University as an associate professor of history after his brief return to the U of I for further study.

IRENE OSTHOFF - 500 E. 33rd St., Apt. 1812, Chicago, Ill. - Irene is now chief of the Vocational Counseling Department at the Rehabilitation Institute in Chicago. She states that she is the University of Illinois' loudest ambassador, and we'll believe it.

RALPH AND ANDREA (nee HANSEN) PATZKE - 1813 Southwood Dr., Champaign, Ill. - Ralph continues as radio dispatcher for F.R. Inskip Company in Champaign. Andrea devotes her time taking care of their two children.

GLENN R. PERKINS - 1616 Sangamon Dr., Champaign, Ill. - Glenn is assistant advertising manager in charge of media selection for the Eisner Food Stores in Champaign-Urbana. Marge continues as a nurse at the U of I Health Service. "Perk" says he likes to read Sigma Signs to see how well he is doing.

PERRY PERSONS - 505 Dogwood Dr., Cherry Hill, N. J. - Perry toured all the way west for the banquet this year. He reports that all is going well and he is still employed as a projects engineer for the Burrows Corporation.

RICHARD PIECH - 3414 S. Oakley Ave., Chicago, Ill. - Richard, an engineering assistant at Tuttle and Kift, Industrial Heating, reports that he recently became engaged.

CARMEN PIETRAFESA - 6950 S. Honore, Chicago, Ill. - Carmen is currently proof machine operator for the Beverly Bank in Chicago and active in civic organizations.

VIRGINIA (nee HARRELL) POTTER - 230, 1107 W. Green, Urbana, Ill. - Virginia reports that she is retiring at the end of the school year after having taught three years as David will receive his degree in electrical engineering. The Potters plan to make their home in Sandwich, Illinois, where David will be employed.

ROSEMARY (nee SCHNIPKE) POWELL - 922 Harding Dr., Toledo, Ohio - Rosemary does part-time typing in her home while taking care of Anthony Edward, born in November of 1963. Raybourn is custodian at the Naval Armory.

WAYNE PRIGGE - 304 Tanglewood Dr., Streamwood, Ill. - Wayne is chief draftsman for General Blower Company. Wayne and Karen now have two boys, Robbie and David.

JOHN C. PRINCE - 129 Thacker St., Des Plaines, Ill. - John has changed jobs and is now controller at the MicroStatic Division of Smith Corona-Merchant Corporation. He reports that his wife, Arlene, and their two daughters are doing well.

BILL REITER - 827 Jefferson, Defiance, Ohio - We received a birth announcement of a daughter born in August. We'd like to hear more from the Reiter's.

DEAN F. RIDENOUR - 911 W. 33rd St., Kansas City, Mo. - Dean has taken a position as a controller for the Linsey Soft Water of Kansas City Inc. He is active in organizations for the disabled in the area.

ROGER ROBINSON - 15916 Northfield St., Pacific Palisades, Calif. - Roger is currently continuing his work as a draftsman while attending college in Long Beach to complete his degree.

GEORGE M. ROST - Station B, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. - George is working as a keypunch operator for the Research Foundation for Mental Hygiene.

HARRIET ROVICK - 7465 Pacific Ave., Lemon Grove, Calif. - Harriet is currently finishing up some requirements for her secondary teaching certificate for the State of California at San Diego State College.

MICHAEL M. SACHS - 181 Del Medio, Mountain View, Calif. - Mike, who received his BS in Accounting at the U of I has just finished his second year of Law School at Stanford University. He reports he is active in many of the law school functions there.

HARRY F. SCHANNING - 1743 Glendale Blvd., Kalamazoo, Mich. - Harry is currently an accountant for Richard K. Wagner, CPA. He is also a candidate for the United States Congress in the third district of Michigan. Harry and Anita now have two sons and a daughter.

MARGARET A. SCHEFFELIN - 254 Craw Court, San Antonio, Texas - Margaret is a special education teacher for the South San Antonio Independent School District. Her husband, Edward, is with the U. S. Air Force. In addition to taking care of her five boys and two girls, Margaret still finds time for PTA and other community work.

WILLIAM M. SCHUYLER, JR. - 537 S. Third St., Apt. 512, Louisville, Ky. - Bill and his new wife, Barbara, have moved to Louisville where Bill is an instructor in Philosophy at the University of Louisville.

DONALD W. SEIFFERTH - 113 Benfield Dr., Dayton, Ohio - Todd Allen, born in 1963, is the latest addition to the Seiffert household. Don is cost analyst for General Motors Corporation, Inland Manufacturing Division. In the evening he teaches accounting for the Board of Education in adult evening classes.

JAMES E. SEYBOLD - 1418 E. Roberta Ave., Waukesha, Wis. - Jim is employed as a technical editor and public information officer for the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission. He is also active in political organizations and organizations for the disabled.

KAY (nee HERRINGTON) SHERMAN - J-65-C Stadium Terrace, Champaign, Ill. - Kay is secretary-clerk at the Purity Sunbeam Co. while husband, Greg, continues his work on degree.

SANDRA SIMMONS - 727 Goucher St., Johnstown, Pa. - Sandi is a student in stenograph operations in Pennsylvania Rehabilitation Center in Johnstown. She is also active in wheelchair track and field and elected to the Paralympic team.

JIM SKILLEN - 3825 W. Marshall, Phoenix, Ariz. - Jim has moved to Phoenix to assume the position of hospital accountant for St. Lukes Hospital in Phoenix. He is trying to organize wheelchair sports in that area.

CHAROLETTE R. SMITH - See page 37.

HUGH W. SOEBBING - 2415 Turner Road, Quincy, Ill. - Hugh is an instructor in music at Quincy College and active in numerous local musical organizations.

PAUL D. SONES - 31 Skilton Lane, Burlington, Mass. - Paul received his MS in Aeronautics and Astronautics from MIT and is now an associate scientist at the AVCO Corporation Research and Advanced Development Division. He is still active in wheelchair sports.

WAYNE W. SPADER - 6329 S. Kildare Ave., Chicago, Ill. - Wayne is now accounts payable supervisor for the Pearlman Paper Company in Chicago. He is also the Athletics Association chairman for the Hope Lutheran Church in Chicago.

JACK L. SPRING - 1636 N. 21st St., Springfield, Ill. - Jack is currently underwriting supervisor of the auto department at the Horace Mann Mutual Insurance Company in Springfield.

FRED W. SPRINGE - 309 S. Valley St., Anaheim, Calif. - Fred is supervisor of the computer logic design in the computer engineering division of the Data Systems Division of Autonetics Corporation. He is also manager of the Garden Grove Golden Bears, wheelchair basketball team, and editor for the local computing machinery news letter. He and Arlene have added 600 square feet to their home and the Springes and their four children report that the additional area makes life more enjoyable.

RONALD A. STEIN - 502 E. Washington, O'Fallon, Ill. - Ron owns and operates the Dog and Suds Restaurant in O'Fallon. He is still active in wheelchair athletics and civic organizations and was elected to the Paralympic team which will go to Tokyo, Japan, in November. Ron and Jan have two daughters.

KAYLEEN STEINHAUS - 1027 Grove St., LaCrosse, Wis. - Kayleen is currently a student at Kolman Business School majoring in administration and accounting.

DONALD STEINMETZ - Donald has returned to the U of I to work on an advanced degree.

GEORGE W. STEINMAN - 3393 Fidlersgreen Road, Cincinnati, Ohio - George is currently employed as a public accountant. He and his wife, Laure, have three children.

HARRY STEWART - 46 Floor, Marina Towers, Chicago, Ill. - Harry received his law degree and is employed with the Harris Trust Company of Chicago.

JAMES W. STEWART - 1416 Annis Ave., Mattoon, Ill. - James is farm manager for the Central National Bank of Mattoon. He and his wife, Joan, have three sons.

CAROL (nee HALL) SURGI - See page 36.

DONALD W. SWIFT - Box 127, 14 Golfview Dr., Savoy, Ill. - Don, Gerry and their two children continue to be active in civic affairs and the Rehabilitation Center activities. Don is Personnel Officer in the U of I Office of Non-Academic Personnel.

LEAH MAY (nee TRUXELL) TAGG - 6712-9 Knott Ave., Buena Park, Calif. - Husband, Charles, received a promotion this year and is currently a mathematical analyst. Our deepest sympathies are extended to the Tagg family for the loss of their son, David Arnold, age 32 months, who passed away in August, 1963, a victim of leukemia.

JOSEPH TANNY - 2295 E. Iliff, Denver, Colo. - Joseph has returned to school at the University of Denver and is presently working on a masters degree in Business Administration.

JA-CY THOMAS - Circle Dr., Mobile Home Village, Salisbury, N. C. - Ja-Cy is an Assistant Professor of Economics at Catawba College in Salisbury. He reports that he and his wife, Maureen, and their son, James, are extremely happy with their new mobile home. He suggests that everyone with a disability look into a mobile home.

JACK TORRANCE, JR. - 2860 E. 76th St., Chicago, Ill. - We haven't heard much from Jack and Lil lately, but regret to hear that Lillian has been ill. Jack continues with Harry C. Phipps Advertising Company.

MARY TRAUTMAN - 6895 Boyer St., Montreal, Quebec, Canada - Mary is Directress of a home for neglected, poor and disturbed children and continues to find her work enjoyable and rewarding.

ROBERT UNDERWOOD - 7 Adler Court, Champaign, Ill. - Bob continues as network manager for the National Association of Educational Broadcasters. Bob has contributed as a speaker during the past year to important conferences on the campus.

FRANK VECERA - Still as handsome and single as ever, girls. Frank is now in the brokerage business selling insurance and some stocks. Frank was also elected to the Paralympic team.

FRANCIS L. VERDUN - 305 E. Third St., Momence, Ill. - Francis is a guidance director for the Momence Community Unit High School. He and his wife, Darlene, have three children.

KENNETH VISTE - 710 N. Lakeshore Dr., Chicago, Ill. - Ken continues to do fine work as a medical student at Northwestern University Medical School. He is also active in political organizations.

PHYLLIS VOY - 407 N. Pennsylvania St., Apt. 319, Indianapolis, Ind. - Phyllis continues as a rehabilitation counselor at Indianapolis Goodwill Industries. Watch out, Indianapolis, we hear through mutual friends that Phyllis is learning to drive.

KENNETH WAGONER - 126 Elm, Park Forest, Ill. - Ken is currently foreman at the Burton Auto Springs Company. His wife, Ruth, and their two children are avid Chicago Sidewinder fans as Ken is now playing with the Sidewinders.

MARSHALL WALL - 4003A Marie Ave., Huntsville, Ala. - Marshall and LeVon have moved from California to Alabama where Marshall is a senior scientific programmer for Lockheed Missile and Space Company at their Huntsville Research and Development Center.

MARION WALTON - 2607 E. Main, Urbana, Ill. - Marion is an accountant in the U of I Business Office, Contracts Division.

ROBERT L. WATSON - 58 Hillcrest Dr., Alexandria, Va. - Bob is staff attorney in the Polish Claims Division of Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States. Bob and Julie and their two sons report life near Washington, D. C. is exciting. Bob was formerly coordinator of Services for Blind and Deaf at the Illinois Rehabilitation-Education Center.

DR. RUTH WEBB - See page 34.

DONNA M. WEISINGER - 517 S. Maple Ave., Apt. 4, Oak Park, Ill. - Donna works as a dispatcher secretary for Customer Engineers at IBM in Park Forest.

CHARLES E. WHITMAN - 3028B Pasteur Ave., St. Louis, Mo. - Chuck continues as a Thermo-Dynamicist at McDonnel Aircraft Corp. Chuck reports that he and Jerry and the two boys are "plugging along in a blissful routine."

JACK WHITMAN - First Street Road, Champaign, Ill. - Jack and Jan have moved into their new home. Jack continues as sales manager for WDWS radio and is one of the better archers in the country. He was again elected to the Paralympic team for Tokyo, Japan.

DR. RONALD A. WIEDNER - 1018 Laurel, Highland, Ill. - Ronald continues in private practice of optometry. He is also still active in many civic organizations.

PATRICIA A. WIGGINS - 5642 W. 24th St., Cicero, Ill. - Patricia is a bookkeeper for the Chicago Auto Parts, Inc. She is also active in PVA.

LEE AND JOAN (nee WOLL) WISE - 2004 Burlison Dr., Urbana, Ill. - Lee is office manager for the Eisner Food Stores. The Wises have one son and one daughter.

ROBERT E. WITKOWSKI - 1835 E. 84th St., Chicago, Ill. - Bob is Resident Engineer for the State of Illinois Division of Highways, landscape maintenance and construction. Wife, Marlene, works as a payroll clerk.

ELLSWORTH C. WOLF, JR. - 506 E. Third St., Rock Falls, Ill. - Ellsworth owns the Twin City Yellow Cab Company and National Car-Truck Rental in Rock Falls. He and his wife and five children are doing fine.

ARNOLD WOLOCHUK - 5346 N. California Ave., Chicago 25, Ill. - Arnold, a medical social worker at Rest Haven Rehabilitation Hospital, was married in May.

JOHN S. YOUNG - P.O.Box 31, Kailua-Kona, Hawaii - John is currently a self-employed architect -- reports that he and his wife, Joan, are duplicate bridge addicts. The Youngs have two sons.

## In Memoriam

Friends among the alumni, staff and students of the program were greatly saddened by the death of two alumni this year.

PETER KARL, age 32, was found dead Monday, March 23, 1964, apparently a victim of accidental carbon monoxide poisoning in his garage. Mr. Karl, at the time, manager of the Disabled American Veteran's Club in Champaign, had attended the University of Illinois under the auspices of the Division of Rehabilitation-Education Services. Pete was a strong supporter of the program and always on hand for Delta Sigma Omicron events. He was active in Champaign D.A.V. and headed numerous efforts of the organization. His untimely death is a loss felt by many.

RONALD L. SMOOT, age 35, one of the first disabled students to attend the University of Illinois under the auspices of the Rehabilitation-Education Program and major contributor to the Program and Delta Sigma Omicron, died Wednesday, July 15, 1964, at the Robert Long Hospital, Indianapolis. Precise cause of death was unknown. Ron was one of the first students in the program in 1949 after its transfer to the Urbana campus, helped organize D.S.O. serving as an officer several times, and supported many of the activities associated with the establishment of the Rehabilitation-Education Program. In recognition, he was presented the Harold Scharper Service award in 1951. He earned his B.S. in Mechanical Engineering in 1952, an M.S. in 1955 and had been awarded his Ph.D. degree in June 25, 1964. He received his Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering in the field of Thermodynamics and Heat Flow in June, 1964. He was currently an instructor in Mechanical Engineering at the U of I. He had also been employed in the design division of both Boeing and Douglas Aircraft. Prior to teaching, he was design engineer for International Harvester Co. in Indiana. He did various research projects in design and operation of gas turbine engines and rarefied gas dynamics, many of which were published. He also designed and built an excellent hand driving control as well as several mechanical devices for experimental and research purposes for Dr. L. W. Freeman, director of neurological research at Indiana University Medical Center. Ron married Patricia Lee Harney in 1960. His father, Paul L. Smoot, was awarded an honorary life-time membership in D.S.O. for his interest in and aid to the program. Ron Smoot's passing leaves an emptiness, but the achievement and contributions he made have made other's lives richer.

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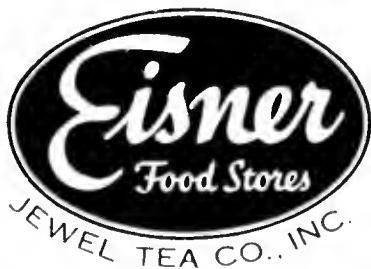
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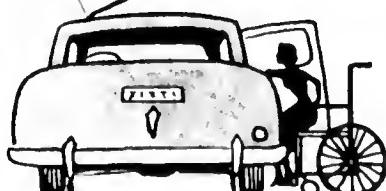
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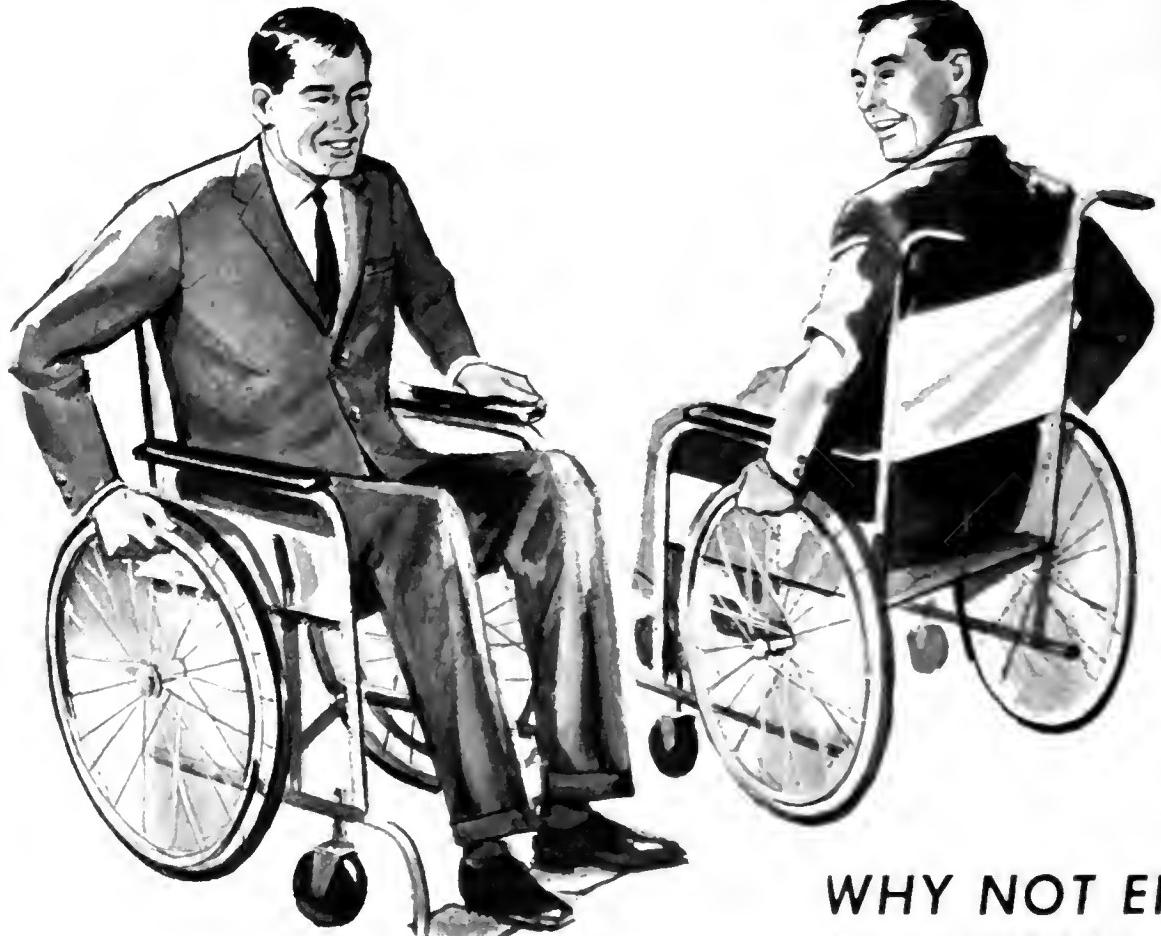
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